

Instructions

This exercise will familiarize students with the United States Constitution through analysis of relevant primary sources from the National Archives Catalog. Review and discuss this collection of primary documents using the following steps:

- 1. Meet the document.**
- 2. Observe its parts.**
- 3. Try to make sense of it.**
- 4. Use it as historical evidence.**

Students may also be asked to complete [Document Analysis Worksheets](#) provided by the National Archives and Records Administration for each primary document.

For each document, answer these three questions:

- 1. Provide document description or title if known.**
- 2. What Constitutional Power or Amendment is represented (refer to [National Archives transcription](#))?**
- 3. What check or balance is there to this power?
OR
Why is this relevant to me?**



Document Description

Constitutional Power

Check or Balance

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13	Barr	67	Culkin	131	Gugay	70	Kopplemann	667	67	Phifer, Joseph L.	348	67	Stegall	348
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19	Belser	67	Davis of Tennessee	131	Harr	70	Larabee	667	67	Flumley	348	67	Sumner of Illinois	348
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21	Bender	67	DeLoany	131	Harting	70	Leary	667	67	Francis	348	67	Swain	348
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23	Bishop	67	Dixson	131	Hart of Virginia	70	Ledwith	667	67	Lewis	348	67	Taber	348
24	Blackburn	67	Dixon	131	Hart of New Jersey	70	Lewis	667	67	Luffow	348	67	Talle	348
25	Blair	67	Ditter	131	Hart of Ohio	70	Leach	667	67	Lucas	348	67	Tarver	348
26	Bloom	67	Dodge	131	Hartley of New Jersey	70	M	667	67	MacCall	348	67	Tennessee	348
27	Boehne	67	Doggs	131	Hawley	70	McCall	667	67	McCormack	348	67	Terry	348
28	Boggs	67	Dobson	131	Hawley	70	McGeehan	667	67	McGowan	348	67	Tillie	348
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30	Bolton	67	Douglas	131	Hawley	70	McGregor	667	67	McIntyre	348	67	Thomas of New Jersey	348
31	Bonner	67	Dowd	131	Hawley	70	McIntyre	667	67	McIntyre	348	67	Thomas of Texas	348
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33	Borah	67	Dowd	131	Hawley	70	McIntyre	667	67	McIntyre	348	67	Tibbitt	348
34	Bradley of Michigan	67	Dowd	131	Hawley	70	McIntyre	667	67	McIntyre	348	67	Tinkham	348
35	Bradley of Pennsylvania	67	Dowd	131	Hawley	70	McIntyre	667	67	McIntyre	348	67	Tolan	348
36	Brooks	67	Dowd	131	Hawley	70	McIntyre	667	67	McIntyre	348	67	Traylor	348
37	Brown of Georgia	67	Dowd	131	Hawley	70	McIntyre	667	67	McIntyre	348	67	Traylor	348
38	Brown of Ohio	67	Dowd	131	Hawley	70	McIntyre	667	67	McIntyre	348	67	Traylor	348
39	Bryson	67	Dowd	131	Hawley	70	McIntyre	667	67	McIntyre	348	67	Traylor	348
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42	Buckley of New York	67	Dowd	131	Hawley	70	McIntyre	667	67	McIntyre	348	67	Traylor	348
43	Bulwinkle	67	Dowd	131	Hawley	70	McIntyre	667	67	McIntyre	348	67	Traylor	348
44	Burch	67	Dowd	131	Hawley	70	McIntyre	667	67	McIntyre	348	67	Traylor	348
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51	Camp	67	Dowd	131	Hawley	70	McIntyre	667	67	McIntyre	348	67	Traylor	348
52	Canfield	67	Dowd	131	Hawley	70	McIntyre	667	67	McIntyre	348	67	Traylor	348
53	Cannon of Florida	67	Dowd	131	Hawley	70	McIntyre	667	67	McIntyre	348	67	Traylor	348
54	Cannon of Missouri	67	Dowd	131	Hawley	70	McIntyre	667	67	McIntyre	348	67	Traylor	348
55	Capron	67	Dowd	131	Hawley	70	McIntyre	667	67	McIntyre	348	67	Traylor	348
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58	Cartwright	67	Dowd	131	Hawley	70	McIntyre	667	67	McIntyre	348	67	Traylor	348
59	Cass of South Dakota	67	Dowd	131	Hawley	70	McIntyre	667	67	McIntyre	348	67	Traylor	348
60	Cass of Massachusetts	67	Dowd	131	Hawley	70	McIntyre	667	67	McIntyre	348	67	Traylor	348
61	Celler	67	Dowd	131	Hawley	70	McIntyre	667	67	McIntyre	348	67	Traylor	348
62	Chapman	67	Dowd	131	Hawley	70	McIntyre	667	67	McIntyre	348	67	Traylor	348
63	Chambers	67	Dowd	131	Hawley	70	McIntyre	667	67	McIntyre	348	67	Traylor	348
64	Childers	67	Dowd	131	Hawley	70	McIntyre	667	67	McIntyre	348	67	Traylor	348
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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

April, 1978

To Senator

As President, I want to express my admiration for your support of the Panama Canal treaties. Rarely is a national leader called upon to act on such an important issue fraught with so much potential political sacrifice.

On behalf of the people of the United States, I thank you for your personal demonstration of statesmanship and political courage.

Sincerely,
Jimmy Carter

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(Note: Typical of many personal notes of thanks written by President Carter after the treaty was ratified.)

SAVE FREEDOM OF WORSHIP

EACH ACCORDING TO THE DICTATES
OF HIS OWN CONSCIENCE



NORMAN ROCKWELL

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Instructor Notes & References

Document	Citation/Archives.gov Identifier	Constitution Reference (https://www.archives.gov/founding-docs/constitution-transcript)	Check/Relevance
Tally Sheet of the House of Representatives Vote on a Declaration of War Against Japan	Tally Sheet of the House of Representatives for Declaration of War Against Japan; 12/8/1941; General Records, 1791 - 2010; Records of the U.S. House of Representatives, Record Group 233; National Archives Building, Washington, DC NARA Identifier: 2600932	Article I, section 8, clause 1	Provides Congress the power to declare war; Americans vote for these representatives Denies President power to declare war unilaterally
Anyone Home?	Anyone Home?; 2/24/1920; (M-023); Berryman Political Cartoon Collection, 1896 - 1949; Records of the U.S. Senate, Record Group 46; National Archives Building, Washington, DC NARA Identifier: 6011590	Article I, section 7	Both chambers of Congress must agree on final bill President may approve or veto a bill Can a President just ignore a passed bill?

			Is a veto the end of the road for a bill?
Photo of County Clerk "Bun" Towner Swearing-in a Trial Jury in the Court House	<p>Photograph of County Clerk "Bun" Towner Swearing-in a Trial Jury in the Court House; ca. 1945; Records of the U.S. Information Agency, Record Group 306</p> <p>NARA Identifier: 595379</p>	<p>Fifth Amendment; Grand Jury, Double Jeopardy, Self-incrimination, Due Process, Takings</p> <p>Seventh Amendment; Civil Trial Rights</p>	<p>American citizens have the right to be judged by a jury of their peers</p> <p>You can't be tried for the same crime twice</p>
Letter to U.S. Senators from President Carter, April, 1978; following ratification of the Panama Canal Treaties	<p>Letter to U.S. Senators from President Carter; April 1978; Records of the Office of the Staff Secretary, 1976-1981; Jimmy Carter Presidential Library and Museum.</p> <p>Available online at: https://www.jimmycarterlibrary.gov/assets/documents/panama/document18.pdf</p>	Article II, Section 2	<p>Requires cooperation between Executive and Legislative Branches</p> <p>Major aspect of foreign relations impacting commerce, cultural exchange, military conflict</p>
Save Freedom of Worship (Norman Rockwell painting from "The Four Freedoms")	<p>Save Freedom of Worship; 1941 - 1945; Records of the Office of Government Reports, Record Group 44</p> <p>NARA Identifier: 513712</p>	First Amendment; Freedom of Religion, Press, Assembly, Petition	Practice any religion freely without persecution from government

