

Constitutional Scavenger Hunt

Welcome to AP GoPo! This assignment is due August 19, 2024. The US Constitution is an EXTREMELY important document for everyone in this country, especially AP GoPo students. Understanding it will provide a great foundation for our class. You can find the link to the Constitution here: <https://www.constituteproject.org>

Task #1: Structure of the Constitution – Read each article and summarize the general purpose or subject of the article. Then answer the analysis questions.

Article Number and Title	Summary/General Purpose or Subject
Article I	
Article II	
Article III	
Article IV	
Article V	
Article VI	
Article VII	

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Analysis Question #1

Using Articles I, II, and III, describe how each branch can check the other branches.

Analysis Question # 2

Why do you suppose the founders designed our federal government this way?

Task #2 The Amendments – Briefly describe each amendment of the U.S. Constitution, and then answer the analysis questions.

Amendment	Brief description of the amendment (all parts)
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3) What are the first 10 Amendments to the Constitution collectively known as, and why were they added to the Constitution?

4) Identify the three amendments that were passed in the years immediately after the Civil War. What were the goals of these amendments?

5) Describe three amendments that extended suffrage to new groups of people and briefly explain the historical context/events that likely led to the passage and ratification of these amendments.

Task #3: Important Constitutional Clauses – The following are important clauses listed in the Constitution or the Amendments. For each, describe the clause in your own words, cite where it is located in the Constitution (Article #, Section #, Clause #) and explain why the clause is so important.

Constitutional Clause	Description and Citation	Importance/Significance
Full Faith and Credit Clause		
Commerce Clause		
Supremacy Clause		
Necessary and Proper Clause (Elastic Clause)		
General Welfare Clause		
Establishment Clause		
Free-Exercise Clause		
Free-Speech Clause		

Due Process Clause		
Equal Protection Clause		