



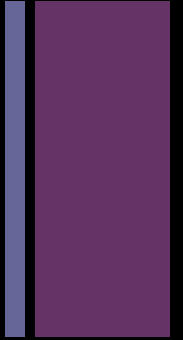
We the people of the United States,  
in order to form a more perfect  
Union, establish justice, insure  
domestic tranquility, provide for the  
common defense, promote the  
general welfare, and secure the  
blessings of liberty for ourselves  
and our posterity, do ordain and  
establish this Constitution for the  
United States of America.

## The Preamble in Action

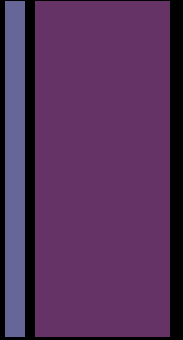
We the People

## + Here's what you'll do...

- Within your group, decide what part of the Preamble the headlines are describing. You may use your preamble handout to help.
- Write your answer on your group's whiteboard.
- When making a decision in the group, majority rules. One minute of discussion
- On my signal, each team will send a member up to their team's chair with the board facing down. When called upon, show your team's answer.



- If any team wants to justify their answer before the correct answer is shown, you will be given a chance
- We will then look at the correct answer. If your answer is correct, your team will earn a point.
- Members will then return to their seats, erase their boards and the next item will be shown for discussion.



- **IN ORDER TO FORM A MORE PERFECT UNION**

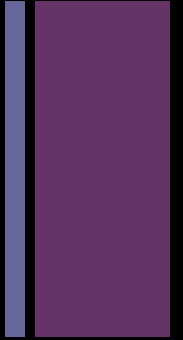
- To unite the states more effectively and to cooperate so they can operate as a single nation, for the good of all.



- **ESTABLISH JUSTICE**

- To create a system of fair laws and courts and make certain that all citizens are treated equally.



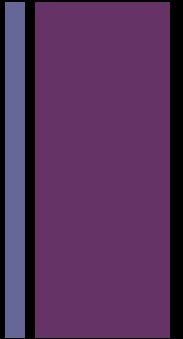


## ■ **INSURE DOMESTIC TRANQUILITY**

- To maintain *peace* and *order*, keeping citizens and property *safe* from harm.

## ■ **PROVIDE FOR THE COMMON DEFENSE**

- To be ready militarily to protect the country and its citizens from outside attack.



- **PROMOTE THE GENERAL WELFARE**

- To help people live healthy, happy, and prosperous lives



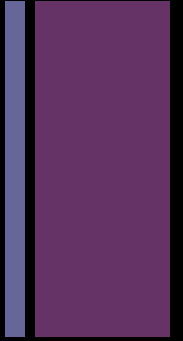
- **SECURE THE BLESSINGS TO OURSELVES AND OUR POSTERITY**

- To guarantee the freedom and basic rights of all Americans, including future generations (“posterity”).





## HEADLINE FROM THE NEWS



- 1. U.S. troops are sent to the nearby island of Haiti to help maintain order when the Haitian government is overthrown.

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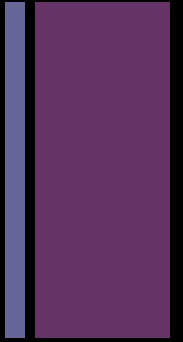
## ■ 1. Provide for the Common Defense

- Haiti is very close to the US and so it is in our best interest to keep the island stable.





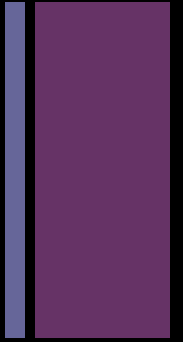
## HEADLINE FROM THE NEWS



- 2. State police were sent into Ferguson, Missouri to settle unrest between upset citizens and local police over the shooting death of Michael Brown.



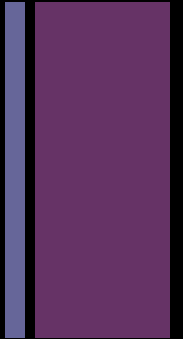
## HEADLINE FROM THE NEWS



- **2.ANSWER: Insure domestic tranquility.** They were trying to keep people and property safe due to the riots which occurred



## HEADLINE FROM THE NEWS



- 3. U.S troops prepare for a raid on an Iraqi town where terrorists are believed to be operating and plotting another attack.

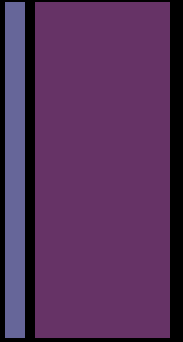
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## ■ 3. Provide for the Common Defense

- We have troops stationed in Iraq and need to keep our men safe.



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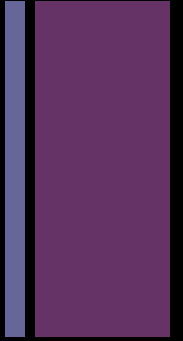
- 4. The Department of Agriculture puts out a new food pyramid which helps people plan a healthy diet.

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- **4. Promote the general welfare**
  - Good diet allows for healthy citizens



## HEADLINE FROM THE NEWS



- 5. The Treasury Department issues paper money and mints coins for the entire country

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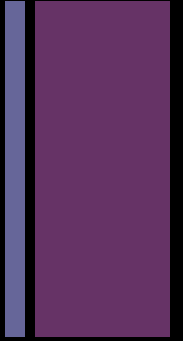
## ■ 5. In order to form a more perfect Union

- As a country we need one established currency. Everyone can't print their own money





## HEADLINE FROM THE NEWS



- 6. The Department of Energy provides funding for research on wind energy so that it may help us reduce our reliance on oil.

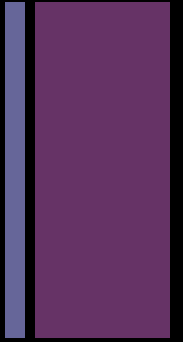
# + Answer

## ■ 6. Promote the General Welfare

- Allows us to stop relying on oil and less pollution.



## HEADLINE FROM THE NEWS



### ■ 7. The Transportation

Department maintains the nation's interstate highway system.

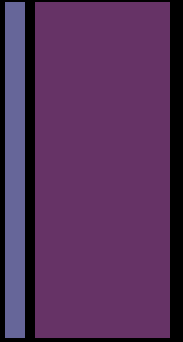
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## ■ 7. In order to form a more perfect Union

- A united and properly paved road system allows us to travel easily throughout our nation.



## HEADLINE FROM THE NEWS



- 8. The Veterans Administration operates hospitals where people who have served in the military can receive health care services.

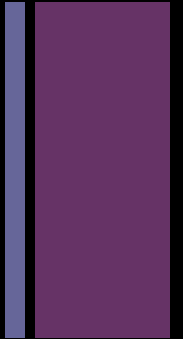
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## ■ 8. Promote the general welfare

- People who serve in our military are guaranteed medical services.



## HEADLINE FROM THE NEWS



- 9. The Department of Labor gives \$1.9 million to the Hotel and Restaurant Employees Union to train newly arriving immigrants for hospitality industry jobs in Las Vegas and Atlantic City, N.J.

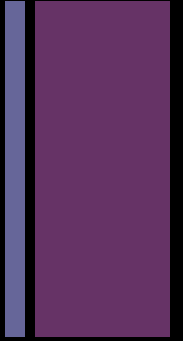
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- **9. Promote the general welfare**
  - Allows training for people to secure employment.

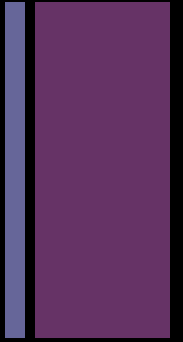




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- 10. The Food and Drug administration requires drug companies to do multiple tests on new drugs before they can be sold in the United States.

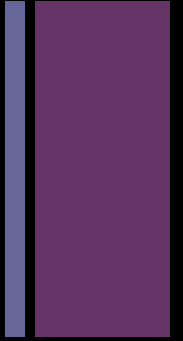


## ■ 10. Promote the general welfare

- Drugs are tested before they are sold within our country. This helps to insure the safety of the product



## HEADLINE FROM THE NEWS



- 11. Federal prosecutors seek an indictment (charges) against a company it believes is using unfair and illegal business practices.

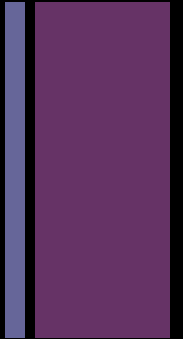
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## ■ 11. Establish justice

- The government is making sure that people who break the law are brought to justice.



## HEADLINE FROM THE NEWS



- 12. Congress passes a law requiring students to be tested regularly to make sure they are meeting achievement standards.
- (2 answers, second one is worth 2 points)

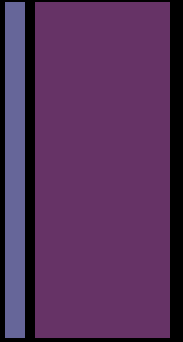
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## ■ **12. Promote the general welfare**

- It is in the best interest of our nation that all of our children are educated.
- **Secure the blessings of liberty for ourselves and our posterity.**
  - The future of our nation depends on the superiority of the education provided to our children.



## HEADLINE FROM THE NEWS



- 13. The Supreme Court hears a case on whether dogs can be used to search for drugs in a car stopped for a traffic violation.
- (2 answers, second one is worth 2 points)

# + Answer

## ■ 13. Establish justice

- Ensuring that justice is upheld

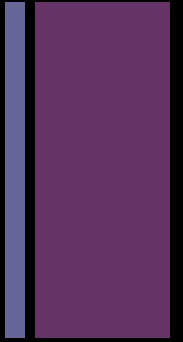
## ■ Secure the blessings of liberty for ourselves and our posterity.

- Using the process of judicial review to ensure that our rights are not being denied





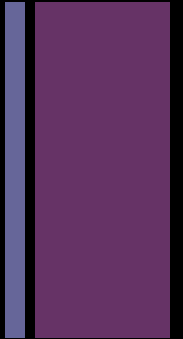
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- 14. The federal government provides disaster relief funding for communities struck by spring floods and tornados.
- (2 answers, second one is worth 2 points)



## Answer



### ■ **14. Insure domestic tranquility**

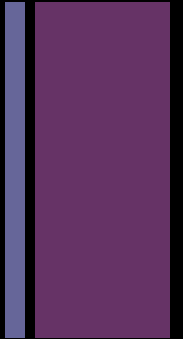
■ After a devastating disaster it is important that we help the people of our country get back on their feet.

### ■ **Provide for the general welfare**

■ It is understood that if any section of the country were hit by a disaster that our national government would step in to do what they could.



## HEADLINE FROM THE NEWS



- 15. The national Park Services announces the re-opening of the Statue of Liberty. A statue that welcomes immigrants into our country who yearn for a better life.
- (2 answers, second one is worth 2 points)

# + Answer

## ■ **15. Secure the blessings of liberty for ourselves and our posterity.**

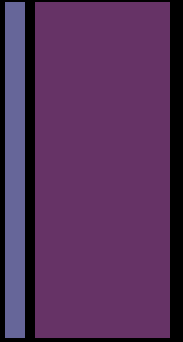
■ Reminder that our families all came from somewhere else and so will millions of others in the future.

## ■ **Form a more perfect Union**

■ The statue of Liberty is a reminder of what our country stands for.



## HEADLINE FROM THE NEWS



- 16. An immigration judge rejects the asylum application of a 25 year old Guatemalan gang member who claims he will be murdered if he returns home.
- (2 answers, second one is worth 2 points)

# + Answer

■ 16.

■ **Establish Justice: (1 point)**

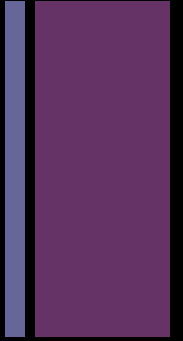
■ We have courts that are set up to deal with issues related immigration

■ **Insure domestic tranquility(2 points)**

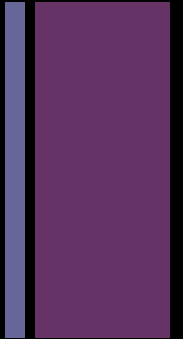
■ Although the person feels his life is threatened in his native land, his participation in a gang might pose a threat to the safety of the citizens of our nation.



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- 17. The National Institute on Aging funds a long term study on how long Alzheimer's patients live after they are diagnosed with the disease.



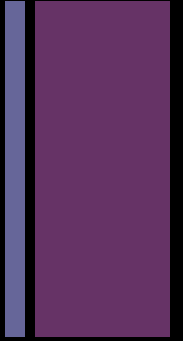
## ■ 17. Promote the general welfare

- Deals with a problem that many families deal with and that would be the care of an aging parent or relative.





## HEADLINE FROM THE NEWS



- 18. The United States maintains diplomatic relations with about 180 countries around the world.
- (2 answers, second one is worth 2 points)



## Answer

### ■ **18. Provide for the common defense**

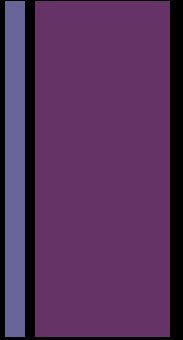
■ Establishing relationships with many countries acts as a buffer for our own nation, helps to develop alliances when necessary.

### ■ **Secure the blessings of liberty for ourselves and our posterity**

■ The more relationships we develop, the less likely we are to be threatened by other countries who don't understand us.



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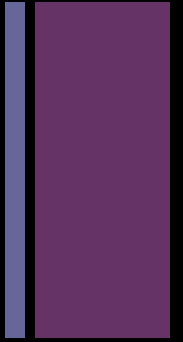
- 19. The Bureau of Land Management opens certain government-owned lands to mining.
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## Answer

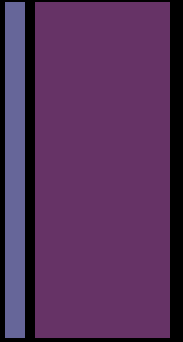
### ■ **19. Promote the general welfare**

- Increase the wealth of our country by mining for valuable resources.
- **To form a more perfect Union**
  - Using our resources instead of being dependant on others for materials

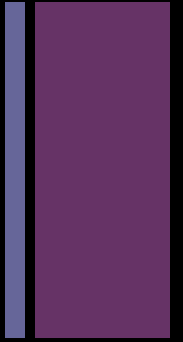




## HEADLINE FROM THE NEWS



- 20. The government collects and publishes information about the economy.



## ■ 20. In order to form a more perfect Union

- Understanding where our nation's economy is heading, it is important to have information available for all to view.