

CONSTITUTION PRESENTATIONS - STUDENT NOTES SHEET

TOPIC	Question you should TOTALLY have your presenter answer for you---	If I don't have an awesome 2nd question here, just ask, "So what? How does this affect us today?"	If I could sum this up in four words or less, the words I would use would be . . .
3/5 Compromise Slavery and Constitution	How can you have % of a person? What's that all about? A:	How did the FFs "kick the can down the road" on the issue of slavery? A:	<i>My 4-word summary:</i>
The Great Compromise	What was so GREAT about this Compromise? What's up with big states vs. small states? A:	A:	<i>My 4-word summary:</i>
Federalist Papers	What was the purpose of the Federalist Papers? A:	What does Mr. Ippolito love so much about Federalist #10, #51, and #78? A:	<i>My 4-word summary:</i>
Arguments of the Antifederalists	What were reasons why some of our FFs did NOT want the Constitution? A:	How did the other FFs basically say, "Don't worry, bros. It's cool. We'll do THIS to make you happy." A:	<i>My 4-word summary:</i>
Article I, Section 1	What is the purpose of a legislature? A:	A:	<i>My 4-word summary:</i>
Article I, Section 2	What are the qualifications to be in the House of Representatives? A:	Why are there different qualifications for the House and Senate? A:	<i>My 4-word summary:</i>
Article I, Section 3	What are the qualifications to be in the Senate? A:		<i>My 4-word summary:</i>
Article I, Section 7	Why are there so many steps for a bill to become a law? A:	If both houses of Congress approve a bill, why does it need to go to the President? A:	<i>My 4-word summary:</i>
Article I, Section 8	What do you think are the THREE most important powers of Congress? A:		<i>My 4-word summary:</i>
Article I, Section 9	What's up with <i>habeas corpus</i> ? What does that mean? A:	What's up with <i>ex post facto</i> laws? A:	<i>My 4-word summary:</i>
Article I, Section 10	What are the states NOT allowed to do? A:	How might this section affect us today? A:	<i>My 4-word summary:</i>

Article II, Section 1	What are the qualifications to be President? A:	Why do you think we put all these rules in place in order to become the President? A:	<i>My 4-word summary:</i>
Article II, Section 2	In your opinion, what are the three most important powers of the President? A:		<i>My 4-word summary:</i>
Article II, Section 3	What's the "state of the Union"? A:	What does it mean that "he shall take care that the laws be faithfully executed"? A:	<i>My 4-word summary:</i>
Article II, Section 4	What does impeachment mean? A:	A:	<i>My 4-word summary:</i>
Article III, Section 1	What is Article III all about? What is the judicial branch? A:	A:	<i>My 4-word summary:</i>
Article III, Section 2	What's so "supreme" about the Supreme Court? Is that like a burrito supreme at Taco Bell? A:		<i>My 4-word summary:</i>
Article III, Section 3	What is treason? A:	A:	<i>My 4-word summary:</i>
Article IV	What does "full faith and credit" mean? A:	How do we create new states? Do you think this could happen in your lifetime? A:	<i>My 4-word summary:</i>
Article V	What is Article V all about? A:	How difficult is it to Amend the Constitution? What proof do you have of that? A:	<i>My 4-word summary:</i>
Article VI	What's "supremacy"? That sounds fancy. A:	Could a non-Christian become President, according to our Constitution? Why or why not? A:	<i>My 4-word summary:</i>
Article VII	What does it mean to "ratify"? How did the Constitution get ratified? A:		<i>My 4-word summary:</i>
1st Amendment (speech)	What can you say and not say in our country? A:		<i>My 4-word summary:</i>

1st Amendment (press)	What does freedom of the press mean? A:		<i>My 4-word summary:</i>
1st Amendment (religion)	What is free exercise? A:	What is the Establishment clause? A:	<i>My 4-word summary:</i>
1st Amendment (assemble)	What's up with this? A:		<i>My 4-word summary:</i>
1st Amendment (petition)	Why do we need this right? A:	A:	<i>My 4-word summary:</i>
2nd Amendment	Does this mean I have the right to fighter jets and rocket launchers? A:	A:	<i>My 4-word summary:</i>
4th Amendment	What is search and seizure? A:	When can the government go through my stuff? A:	<i>My 4-word summary:</i>
5th Amendment	What do we do when we "plead the fifth"? A:	What is "double jeopardy"? How about "due process of law"? A:	<i>My 4-word summary:</i>
6th Amendment	What rights do we all have if we are ever arrested? A:	Why do criminals deserve rights? A:	<i>My 4-word summary:</i>
8th Amendment	What constitutes "cruel and unusual punishment"? A:	What is bail? A:	<i>My 4-word summary:</i>
9th/10th Amendment	Republicans have been all about the 9th and 10th Amendments in recent years. Why? A:		<i>My 4-word summary:</i>
12th Amendment	Why did we need the 12th Amendment? How would life be totally awkward today without it? A:		<i>My 4-word summary:</i>
13th, 14th, and 15th Amendments	Why did Mr. Ippolito group these all together? A:	A:	<i>My 4-word summary:</i>

16th-19th (except 18th) Amendments	Why did Mr. Ippolito group these all together? A:	A:	<i>My 4-word summary:</i>
20th Amendment	How much time does a President need from the time he/she gets elected to the time he/she takes office? Do you think that amount of time has changed over the years? Why? A:		<i>My 4-word summary:</i>
18th and 21st Amendments	Why was it a good idea to ban alcohol? A:	Why was it a bad idea to ban alcohol? A:	<i>My 4-word summary:</i>
22nd Amendment	Why did our country decide to limit the President to two terms? A:		<i>My 4-word summary:</i>
23rd Amendment	What's up with this amendment? A:	A:	<i>My 4-word summary:</i>
24th Amendment	What's a poll tax? Why did we need this amendment? A:	A:	<i>My 4-word summary:</i>
25th Amendment	Why did our nation feel it necessary to create this amendment in the 20th century? Besides the death of a President, what else does the 25th cover? A:		<i>My 4-word summary:</i>
26th Amendment	Why did this amendment pass in 1971? A:	A:	<i>My 4-word summary:</i>
27th Amendment	Why do we think this amendment is necessary? Shouldn't Congress just be able to vote themselves a pay raise whenever they feel like it? A:		<i>My 4-word summary:</i>

In your opinion, what are the three most important parts of the Constitution, from Articles I through VII? Defend your answer.

In your opinion, what are the three most important Amendments? Defend your answer.