**Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**US CONSTITUTION WORKSHEET**

**20 POINTS ASSIGNMENT**

**For this classwork/homework grade you will read the US Constitution designed in 1787 and still in use today! The Constitution will be the main topic on our Unit 2 Test, so you want to do a good job learning about the details of the Constitution.**

**Use the Appendix pages A80-A91 in our Blue Textbook (America: A Narrative History) to answer these questions. You can also use your own general knowledge.**

**This worksheet must be completed and uploaded to CANVAS BEFORE class starts on September 21st for A-Day and September 22nd for B-Day classes.**

**Page A80- Preamble**

1. **How does the US Constitution begin? (1st paragraph called the preamble)**

**What's the significance of the first 3 words used to start this new government?**

**Article 1 Section 1**

1. **What branch of government is this? How is it bicameral?**

**Section 2**

1. **How often are House of Representatives members elected?**
2. **What are 3 requirements to be a member of the House of Representatives?**
3. **How do you determine how many representatives each state gets?**
4. **What sole Power is given to the House at the end of Section 2(top of page A81)? What does that mean? How does that relate to “checks & balances?”**

**Page A81-Section 3**

1. **How many Senators does each state get?**
2. **According to the first sentence in Section 3, in the original Constitution in 1787 WHO actually chose (voted for) Senators?**
3. **How long is a Senators’ term before needing to be elected again?**
4. **What are 3 requirements to be a Senator?**
5. **What sole Power is given to the Senate near the end of Section 3? What does that mean?**

**Section 4,5, and 6- You do NOT have to read now. Skip over Sections 4, 5, and 6**

**Bottom of Page A82- Section 7**

1. **Where MUST all “Bills for Raising Revenue” = TAXES begin?**
2. **How does a bill become a law in the USA? What are the possible steps? (Draw your own diagram)**

**Page A83- Section 8**

**Quickly skim over all the list of powers that the Congress has.**

1. **What do you think are the 3 MOST IMPORTANT POWERS given to Congress in the Constitution & why?**
2. **What do you think are 2 other interesting powers Congress has?**
3. **Look closely at page A84- the last paragraph of Section 8.("To make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper….") Some say this is one of the most important paragraphs in the US Constitution. Why? What does it mean? Why is it so important?**

**Page A85-Article II**

**Section 1**

1. **What branch of government is this about?**
2. **Briefly skim over the bottom of page A85 and the long paragraph at the top of page A86. Don't worry if you don't understand the details!!! But answer this: what process of electing the President is this part talking about? Can you explain it a little bit?**
3. **Page A86 short middle paragraph- What are some qualifications to be President?**

**Page A87 Section 2 "Powers of the President"**

1. **Read page A87 Section 2 :What do you think are the 4 most important powers given to the US President and why?**

**YOU CAN STOP YOUR HOMEWORK HERE.**

**WE WILL FINISH READING THE REST OF THE CONSTITUTION IN CLASS**

**UPLOAD YOUR ANSWERS TO CANVAS BEFORE CLASS STARTS**