**Creating a Constitution**

* You must include the following in your Constitution:
* Preamble- introduction and “why” is there a need for a Constitution?
	+ United States Preamble: “We the People of the United States, in Order to form a more perfect Union, establish Justice, insure [domestic Tranquility](http://www.usconstitution.net/glossary.html#DOMTRAN), provide for the common [defense](http://www.usconstitution.net/constmiss.html), promote the general [Welfare](http://www.usconstitution.net/glossary.html#WELFARE), and secure the Blessings of Liberty to ourselves and our [Posterity](http://www.usconstitution.net/glossary.html#POSTERITY), do [ordain](http://www.usconstitution.net/glossary.html#ORDAIN) and establish this Constitution for the United States of America.”
* Bill of Rights 2-7
* Amendments 5-7

Divide your Constitution into Articles. Use page 222 to see an example of how a constitution is written.

* How will the government be outlined? 3 branches? 1 branch?
* What is the power of the Central government?
* What power do states have?
* Who makes the laws?
* Who has the power to tax, trade, declare war, and establish foreign relations?

Article I: Legislative- how are the laws made
Who makes war?

Article II: Executive- who has the power? What do they have the power to do?

Article III: Who judges? Who elects the judges? How many judges are there?

Article IV: States rights: Are the states equal? DO they have more power than the Central government? Do they have less power than the Central government

Article V: Military: How does the government get an army? How do they keep the army?