

Can you take a guess at what belongs in these blanks? Be sure to write with pencil, just in case you need to make a change. We'll go over all the blanks together today!

The first three A _____ of the Constitution are arguably the most important because they clearly state what the three branches L _____, E _____, and J _____ are allowed to do.

Other articles say that s _____ will respect one another and treat each other as e _____.

The amendment process is also explained. To create an **amendment** (a c _____) to the Constitution, first _____ of the people in BOTH h _____ of c _____ must agree that a change is necessary. OR _____ of state l _____ can agree that a change should happen.

AFTER this agreement is made, the amendment STILL has to be passed with at least $\frac{3}{4}$ of all s _____ agreeing to the amendment. ONLY then will an amendment be r _____ (or passed).

Since the Constitution was r _____ (over 200 years ago) more than _____ amendments have been suggested. But only _____ have actually been approved.

The first 10 amendments, known as the B _____ of R _____ were added almost immediately. F _____ (supporters of the Constitution) thought the document was super! However, A _____ -F _____ said NO WAY because they felt like the articles didn't say enough to p _____ the rights of average c _____.

Therefore, the Bill of Rights were added, and the Constitution and Bill of Rights finally became the S _____ L _____ of the L _____ on December _____, 1791.

The first three AMENDMENTS of the Constitution are arguably the most important because they clearly state what the three branches LEGISLATIVE, EXECUTIVE, and JUDICIAL are allowed to do.

Other articles say that STATES will respect one another and treat each other as EQUALS.

The amendment process is also explained. To create an amendment (a CHANGE) to the Constitution, first 2/3 of the people in both HOUSES of CONGRESS must agree that a change is necessary. Or 2/3 of state LEGISLATURES can agree that a change should happen.

AFTER this agreement is made, the amendment STILL has to be passed with at least $\frac{3}{4}$ of all STATES agreeing to the amendment. ONLY then will an amendment be RATIFIED (or passed).

Since the Constitution was RATIFIED over 200 years ago more than 10,000 amendments have been suggested. But only 27 have actually been approved.

The first 10, known as the BILL of RIGHTS were added almost immediately. FEDERALISTS (supporters of the Constitution) thought the document was super! However, ANTI-FEDERALISTS said NO WAY because they felt like the articles didn't say enough to PROTECT the rights of average CITIZENS.

Therefore, the Bill of Rights were added, and the Constitution and Bill of Rights finally became the SUPREME LAW of the LAND on December 15, 1791!