



# Declaration of Independence

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The Declaration of Independence was a bold announcement that people have a right to a government of their own choice. With this important document, the 13 North American colonies announced their separation from Great Britain on July 4, 1776.

Look at a copy of the Declaration of Independence to find the words needed to write in the blanks below. Words have one only position in the document.



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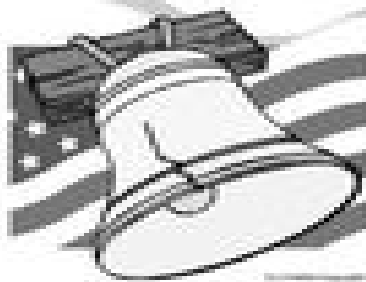
The Declaration of Independence of the Thirteen Colonies to Congress, July 4, 1776. The title \_\_\_\_\_  
Declaration of the Thirteen (13) \_\_\_\_\_ States of America.

When in the Course of human events, it becomes (1) \_\_\_\_\_ for one people to (2) \_\_\_\_\_  
the political bonds which have connected them with another, and to assume among the powers of the earth, the  
(3) \_\_\_\_\_ and (4) \_\_\_\_\_ station to which the Laws of Nature and of Nature's God entitle  
them, a decent respect to the (5) \_\_\_\_\_ of mankind requires that they should declare the  
(6) \_\_\_\_\_ which impel them to the separation.

We hold these truths to be (7) \_\_\_\_\_, that all men are created (8) \_\_\_\_\_, that they are  
endowed by their (9) \_\_\_\_\_ with certain (10) \_\_\_\_\_ Rights, that among these are Life,  
(11) \_\_\_\_\_ and the pursuit of Happiness. That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted  
among Men, deriving their just (12) \_\_\_\_\_ from the consent of the (13) \_\_\_\_\_. That whenever  
any Form of Government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the Right of the People to alter or to  
(14) \_\_\_\_\_ it, and to institute new Governments, laying its foundation on such principles and organizing  
its powers in such form, as to them shall seem most likely to effect their (15) \_\_\_\_\_ and Happiness.

... We, therefore, the (16) \_\_\_\_\_ of the United States of America, in General Congress, assembled,  
appealing to the Supreme Judge of the world for the rectitude of our (17) \_\_\_\_\_ do, in the Name, and  
by the authority of the good People of these Colonies, solemnly publish and (18) \_\_\_\_\_ that these  
United Colonies are, and of Right ought to be Free and (19) \_\_\_\_\_ States, that they are absolved from  
all allegiance to the (20) \_\_\_\_\_.

... And for the support of this Declaration, with a firm (21) \_\_\_\_\_ in the protection of Divine  
Providence, we mutually pledge to each other our (22) \_\_\_\_\_ our Fortunes, and our sacred  
(23) \_\_\_\_\_.



- Write a word or phrase from the text above that means the same as each item below.
- 1. freedom \_\_\_\_\_
  - 2. natural form of society is \_\_\_\_\_
  - 3. station \_\_\_\_\_
  - 4. alter \_\_\_\_\_
  - 5. God \_\_\_\_\_
  - 6. justice \_\_\_\_\_
  - 7. explain the reason for their choice \_\_\_\_\_
  - 8. securing their power from the permission of the other living God \_\_\_\_\_
  - 9. natural strength of our plan \_\_\_\_\_
  - 10. no responsibility \_\_\_\_\_