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The Constitution

Learn about the U.S. Constitution

Read the paragraph below and then answer the questions that follow.

The Constitution is the highest law of the United States and was originally written in 1787 by a group of men called "Framers." It was created to describe how the government works, and it divides the power between three branches: legislative, executive, and judicial. The Constitution also lists some very important rights of the people. The first ten rights were added in 1791 and are called the Bill of Rights. Many more amendments to the Constitution have been made over the years, including giving blacks and women the right to vote, limiting the president to two terms of service, etc.

Questions

When was the Constitution first written?

What were the men called who wrote the Constitution?

The Constitution divides the government's power between how many branches?

What are the first ten rights listed in the Constitution called?

When were the first ten rights added to the Constitution?
