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Constitution Day



Secretary Morris was in charge of writing the first draft of the Constitution.

George Washington was the first delegate to sign the Constitution. The delegates that signed the Constitution in order to create their world's first written constitution.



The original Constitution is displayed in the National Archives Building in Washington, DC.

LET'S CELEBRATE!

Read the information and then answer the questions.

Every year our government observes the anniversary of signing into law the Constitution of the United States on September 17. This day is called Constitution Day. More than 200 years ago, men like George Washington and James Madison signed the Constitution of the United States into law. The main reason for creating the Constitution was to set the rules for our country's government. It also helped outline the rights and freedoms of American citizens. The amazing thing about this document is that it can change with the times. Because of this, the Constitution is still in use more than two centuries after its creation. Happy anniversary to you, the Constitution of the United States!



President Harry S. Truman first declared September 17 as Citizenship Day on July 26, 1950.

In December 2004, President George W. Bush renamed September 17 as Constitution Day and Citizenship Day.

Constitution Day and Citizenship Day are observed each year on September 17.

1. What does Constitution Day celebrate? _____

2. Who first declared September 17 as Citizenship Day? _____
3. Who first declared September 17 as Constitution Day and Citizenship Day? _____

4. Where is the original Constitution displayed? _____

5. What was the main reason for creating the Constitution? _____

6. Is the Constitution still in use today? _____