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Declaration of Independence

Below are quotes from the Declaration of Independence that explain the beliefs and ideas it states.
Read the quotes then explain the idea in your own words.

Quotes from The Declaration of Independence	What it Means in Your Own Words
IN CONGRESS, July 4, 1776. The unanimous Declaration of the thirteen united States of America,	
When in the Course of human events, it becomes necessary for one people to dissolve the political bands which have connected them with another, ... they should declare the causes which impel them to the separation.	
We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal,	
that they [all men] are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness.	
That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed,	