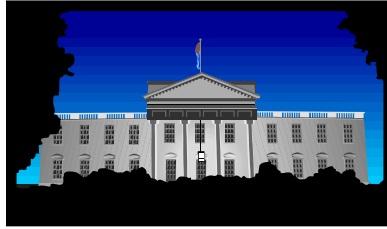


THE CONSTITUTION TASK



TASK:

Today's world is narrowing, as people are able to communicate electronically and travel from place to place within hours. The United States, your nation, is a leader among all of the nations of the world. Our government is a democracy, with laws made by the people elected to their offices. It is very important to understand how our system of government works in order to become an active and productive citizen.

In order to support our government and our great country, your classroom teacher would like to present an exhibit about the Constitution, the basis for America's democratic government. The presentation will be offered to any classrooms within the district that would benefit from knowledge of our Constitution. You, as students, will make brochures that show the parts of the Constitution and how the laws are made that govern the United States.

Your task is to read and study the booklet of the Constitution and then to further research on the Constitution using web sites provided. When you have completed your reading, research, and note-taking, you are to create a brochure that will explain how the United States is governed.

Be sure to include paragraphs and pictures on each of the following parts of the Constitution:

1. The Preamble
2. The Executive Branch
3. The Legislative Branch
4. The Judicial Branch
5. The Bill of Right and the Amendments

Because there will be a wide audience, it will be important that all of your paragraphs are written with topic sentences, correct punctuation and correct spelling. The criteria for judging your brochures will be the rubric for making a brochure.