

Preamble Video Reflection

Instructions: Watch the video, read the video transcript, and answer the reflection question.

“We, the people”

That’s all of us.

This emphasizes that the Constitution is created by everyone—*all* of us, the people.

“In order to form a more perfect union”

We want to make the best country ever!

This means working toward a stronger, more unified country.

“Establish justice”

So we get to make the rules.

This reflects the idea of creating fair laws and systems of justice.

“Ensure domestic tranquility”

To create a peaceful place to live.

This goal is about making sure the country remains calm and peaceful for everyone.

“Provide for the common defense”

To make sure we are all safe.

This means protecting the country and its people from harm or danger.

“Promote the general welfare”

Make sure everyone is taken care of.

This part is about ensuring that all people’s well-being is supported, so everyone can thrive.

“Secure the blessings of liberty”

And that everyone is free to be who they are, as long as they’re not hurting someone else.

This ensures freedom for everyone while maintaining peace and respect for others.

“For ourselves and our posterity”

That’s us and our kids, and our kids’ kids, and our kids’ kids’ kids. Even kids who will be alive hundreds and hundreds and hundreds of years from now.

This reflects the idea that the Constitution is meant to benefit not just people today but also future generations.

“Do ordain and establish this Constitution of the United States of America.”

We’re putting this all in writing, for everyone to know about.

This final part declares that the Constitution is being formally created and made public for all to understand.

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Reflection Question:

What are some important ideas in the Preamble, and how do these ideas show what the founders wanted for the United States of America?

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