

Options EHS Government	Scope and Sequence
Unit Lesson	Objectives
Introduction to American Government	
Introduction to Government	
	Describe the purposes and functions of government.
	Identify different structures of government.
	Explain the roles and responsibilities of citizenship.
Types of Governments	
	Identify the differences between federal, confederal, and unitary systems of government.
	Describe the features of autocracies, oligarchies, theocracies, and communism.
	Explore the advantages and disadvantages of different types of democracy.
English Influences on Government	
	Explain how English governing documents have limited government powers.
	Identify examples of how English governing documents have provided rights for citizens.
	Understand how English documents have influenced our understanding of the law.
The Enlightenment	
	Describe the goals of the Enlightenment.
	Identify Enlightenment ideas that created a new understanding of the role of government and the rights of citizens.
The Origins of Democracy	
	Explore the influence of the structure of the Athenian democracy and the Roman republic.
	Explain the effect of Judeo-Christian laws and ideals on principles of government.
The Declaration of Independence	
	Examine early colonial events that led to the need for a declaration.

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	Identify the key principles contained in the Declaration of Independence.
	Analyze the actions taken by the Declaration of Independence.
Drafting the Constitution	
	Describe the key differences between states that led to debate during the Constitutional Convention.
	Explain how the Great Compromise negotiated a plan for representation in Congress.
	Analyze the effects of the Three-Fifths Compromise in ending the ratification debates over slavery.
The Need for a Constitution	
	Identify the reasons for the creation of the Articles of Confederation.
	Explain the powers granted by the Articles of the Confederation to the states and to the federal government.
	Analyze the weaknesses of the Articles of Confederation and its role in leading to the drafting of the US Constitution.
Unit Test	
The Constitution	
Principles and the Preamble	
	Analyze the purposes and functions of the government as stated in the Preamble.
	Explain what the Constitution specifies about the role and structure of government.
Federalism in the Constitution	on .
	Define the role and purpose of federalism.
	Differentiate between types of state and federal powers.
Article I: Congress	
	Describe the structure of Congress as organized by Article I of the Constitution.
	Identify the expressed powers of Congress.
	Analyze the role of the Necessary and Proper Clause in establishing implied powers for Congress.

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	Article II: The Presidency	
		Describe the structure of the executive branch as outlined by Article II of the Constitution.
		Analyze the powers and duties of the President.
	Article III: The Courts	
		Identify the structure of the judicial branch created by Article III of the Constitution.
		Analyze the powers given to the judicial branch.
	Article IV-VII: The Role of the Constitution	
		Identify the powers and requirements given to the states by Article IV.
		Describe the process of amending the Constitution.
		Examine the meaning of the Supremacy Clause.
		Describe the process of ratification.
	Federalists and Anti-Federalists	
		Identify Anti-Federalist objections to the Constitution.
		Explain the reasons for Federalist support of ratification.
	Amendments 11-27	
		Identify Amendments 11 – 27 that were added to the Constitution
		Describe the purposes of Amendments 11 – 27
		Explain amendments to the Constitution that extended civil rights and suffrage
		Summarize adjustments made to the political system through amendments added to the Constitution
	The Supreme Court and the Role of Government	
		Explain how Marbury v. Madison established the principle of judicial review.

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		Describe how McCulloch v. Maryland affected the powers of the federal government.
		Analyze how Gibbons v. Ogden expanded the idea of federal supremacy.
	Writing Workshop: The Purpose of Government	
		Develop a claim about the purpose of government.
		Create a draft of an argumentative essay.
		Revise and finalize an argumentative essay.
	Unit Test	
ivil	Rights and Liberties	
	The Bill of Rights	
		Explain how the Bill of Rights establishes civil liberties.
		Describe the purpose of each of the ten amendments in the Bill of Rights.
	Your Rights: Freedom of Religion	
		Describe the purpose and language of the First Amendment.
		Analyze Supreme Court decisions concerning the First Amendment's Establishment Clause and Free-Exercise Clause.
	Your Rights: Freedom of Expression	
		Define the political rights of freedom of speech, press, and assembly.
		Explain the limits placed on First Amendment rights and the reasons why these limits are in place.
	Your Rights: Due Process	
		Describe the rights of the accused as found in the Fourth and Fifth Amendments.
		Analyze Supreme Court interpretations of the Fourth and Fifth Amendments.
	Your Rights: Trials and Punishments	

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	Identify the rights of the accused as defined by the Sixth and Eighth Amendments.
	Analyze how Supreme Court decisions created new interpretations of the Sixth and Eighth Amendments.
Your Rights: Personal Privacy	
	Define an individual's right to privacy and the limits to that right.
	Explain how the Ninth Amendment guarantees the unenumerated rights of the people.
	Analyze the effects of major Supreme Court cases related to privacy rights.
The Fourteenth Amendment	
	Describe the civil rights protections created by the Fourteenth Amendment.
	Analyze the importance of the Fourteenth Amendment in incorporating the Bill of Rights.
The Supreme Court and Civil Rights	
	Describe major Supreme Court cases involving Fourteenth Amendment Rights.
	Explain how the Supreme Court has reinterpreted civil rights over time.
	Analyze the ways the Constitution protects and limits the rights and powers of both government and individuals.
Case Study: The Stolen Valor Act	
	Examine the facts of a civil rights case.
	Analyze the importance of legal precedent.
	Create an opinion that supports and defends a decision.
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Government Institutions	
The House of Representatives	
	Describe the structure of the House of Representatives.
	Explain the function of the House of Representatives and what its members do.

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The Judicial Branch	The Judicial Branch	
Explain the basics of the legal process.		Explain the basics of the legal process.
Describe the organization of the federal and state court systems.		Describe the organization of the federal and state court systems.

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	Unit Test	
Powe	er and Conflict	
	Labor and Unrest	
		Identify goals of labor unions during the 1800s.
		Identify examples of company and government tactics that slowed unions' growth and stopped unions' effectiveness.
		Describe the events of the 1894 Pullman Strike, and explain its effects on the labor movement.
	Fascism and Aggression	
		Explain the challenges facing Germany following World War I, and evaluate the effects of Hitler's rise to power.
		Describe individual liberties under fascism, and explain the differences between democratic and totalitarian forms of government.
		Describe acts of aggression committed by Germany and Japan during the 1930s.
		Analyze the reaction in Europe and the US toward Hitler's actions.
	Authoritarianism, Fascism, and Dictators	
		Explain the characteristics of totalitarian government.
		Explain how Mussolini established a totalitarian government.
		Describe the effects of Japan's shift to military rule.
		Describe how Spain shifted to a dictatorship.
	Partisan Conflict in Government	
		Identify the importance of the 1994 midterm election on the Clinton presidency.
		Analyze the impact of the debates over domestic policies on the relationship between President Clinton and Congress.
		Describe the reasons for Clinton's impeachment and the failure of his impeachment charges.

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Political Pressures	
Public Opinion	
	Describe influences on public opinion
	Identify methods of measuring public opinion
	Summarize how public opinion influences the government and public policy
Mass Media	
	Describe the different types of mass media in the United States
	Discuss the influence mass media has on shaping public policy and public opinion
	Analyze the impact mass media has on elections
	Evaluate the effectiveness of government propaganda
Test	
Civics and Participation	
Political Perspectives	
	Identify major political ideologies.
	Analyze the factors that influence a person's political beliefs.
Political Parties	
	Explain how political parties are organized.
	Analyze how political parties govern.
	Describe the rise and transformation of political parties.
Voting	
	Describe the process of voting.
	Explain issues surrounding the creation of voting districts.

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		Analyze voter turnout trends.
	Campaigns and Elections	
		Describe how campaigns are structured, held, and funded.
		Explain the primary and election process.
	What Is Civics?	
		Define civics
		Describe the nature of civics
		Summarize reasons why civics is important
	Civics in the United States Today	
		Trace the evolution of civics through history
		Explain the relationship between civics and citizenship
		Summarize current issues facing Americans in civics, government, and economics
	National vs. State Government	
		Identify the principles of the federal system
		Differentiate delegated, concurrent, and reserved powers
		Describe the relationship between national and state governments
		Examine the elements of state constitutions
		Analyze the benefits of a federalist system and supremacy clause
	Watergate and the Ford Years	
		Explain the events of the Watergate scandal and how it was brought to public attention.

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	Analyze the constitutional issues the Watergate scandal raised.
	Assess the challenges facing President Ford following Nixon's resignation.
The Media and Politics	
	Describe the ways media sources influence elections and the creation of policy.
	Examine the ways politicians use the media to communicate a message.
Unit Test	
Non-Federal Governments	
Local Government	
	Describe how local governments can be structured.
	Analyze the function and roles of local governments.
City Government	
	Differentiate the four types of city governments
	Describe the responsibilities of elected and appointed city officials
	Analyze major city problems and the techniques local city officials use to combat the issues
State Government	
	Describe how state governments can be structured.
	List the functions and duties of state governments.
Test	
Public Policy	

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	Creating Public Policy	
		Define public policy.
		Identify the ways public policy is made.
		Describe influences on the creation of public policy.
	Fiscal Policy	
		Identify the purpose of taxation and its relation to public policy.
		Describe the main sources of government funding on the federal, state, and local levels.
		Analyze the government's main sources of expenditure.
	Regulatory Policy	
		Explain why governments establish regulatory policy.
		Distinguish between regulatory policy actions that establish financial and safety regulations.
		Identify government agencies that create regulatory policy.
	Social Policy	
		Identify the government's role in establishing education policy.
		Analyze the issues facing social security programs.
		Examine the factors that influence public assistance programs.
	Foreign Policy	
		Describe how foreign policy is created and the factors influencing its creation.
		Identify the ways foreign policy is implemented and its impact.
		Examine the role and influence of international governmental and nongovernmental organizations.
	Global Economic Policy	
		Describe economic foreign policy and why it is necessary.

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	Examine the use of trade agreements, tariffs, sanctions, and aid in implementing policy.
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Cumulative Exam	
Cumulative Exam Review	
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