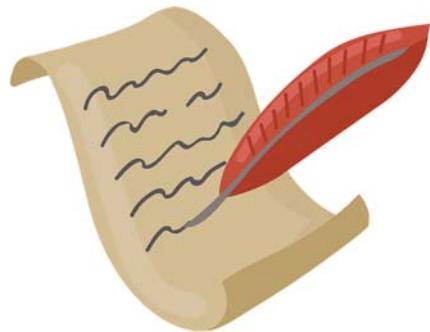


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Declaration Excerpts

Directions: Read each simplified excerpt from the Declaration of Independence. Use the word bank to fill in the missing words. Then, read your completed sentences aloud to check for meaning.

equal

change

freedom

rights

government

people

1. All _____ are created the same and should be treated fairly.
2. We are born with certain _____ that cannot be taken away.
3. These include life, _____, and the chance to be happy.
4. Leaders should create a _____ that keeps people safe and protects their rights.
5. If a government does not protect the _____, they can make a new one.
6. The _____ have the power to change their leaders when things are unfair.

Bonus Writing Challenge

Write 2-3 sentences explaining why the colonists wanted independence.
