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1. What is the author's purpose for writing this passage about the Constitution?
 - a. The author wants to entertain the reader with funny stories about the Constitution.
 - b. The author wants to warn people about the dangers of allowing the King of England's rule over America.
 - c. The author wants to educate the reader about the Constitution of the United States
 - d. The author wants to educate the reader about the colonies.

2. In the last paragraph, the phrase "stood the test of time" means
 - a. That the Constitution has not changed since it was written
 - b. That the Constitution has lasted throughout the years
 - c. That the Constitution defines American democracy
 - d. That the Constitution was written 100 year ago

3. What is the main idea of the second paragraph?
 - a. That the power in the U.S government comes from the people.
 - b. That the Constitution gives a king power.
 - c. That the people of the United States enjoy arguing.
 - d. We are a part of England.

4. What detail is NOT stated in the passage about the Preamble?
 - a. That the Preamble introduces the Constitution
 - b. That it tells why the people wrote the Constitution
 - c. That the government should be just
 - d. That the government should have a king

5. If the government fails to protect the people, what can the people do?
 - a. Use their voting power to bring in a new government
 - b. Defend themselves against England's army and navy
 - c. Find a king to rule over the United States instead of a democracy
 - d. Ask the Kind of England what they should do

6. How did many of the colonists feel about being ruled by a king?

7. Before the United States was created, who had control over the people living in the American Colonies?

8. The question below is an incomplete sentence. Choose the word or phrase that best completes the sentence.

If the government fails to protect the people _____ the people can use their voting power to abolish the government and establish a new one.

- a. after
- b. while
- c. unless
- d. then

9. Answer the following questions based on the sentence below.

The Constitution was written in 1787 in order to improve the lives of the people.

What? The Constitution

(was) What? _____

When? _____

Why? _____

10. **Vocabulary Word:** revolutionary: causing great changes in the way something is done or made.

Use the vocabulary word in a sentence: _____
