## Declaration of Independence



\*Question:

Look at the copy of the Declaration of Independence. What are 5 observations you can make about it?

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## TA DA! THE PHILADELPHIA CONVENTION

Met in Philadelphia State House in 1787

James Madison took notes on what happened during meetings

Decided to make a New Constitution

Kept notes secret for 30 years

New Constitution written in 4 months and still functions 200 years later

"We the People" written in BIG letters- people are coming together to make government for themselves

## FUN FACTS ABOUT THE CONVENTION

Benjamin Franklin (81 years old)

Governeur Morris wrote Constitution and prepared the final draft

Thomas Jefferson, John Adams, Patrick Henry not in attendance

Constitution is the shortest and oldest of any major government in the world

Take a look at the picture of the Constitution. In your opinion, why did the Framers of the Constitution make "We the People" so prominent in the document?

QUICK QUIZ

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