

LEARN THE PREAMBLE

It's easy to accomplish our legal responsibilities to Teach the Constitution. Just use the Preamble. It is one long topic sentence in which the verbs are varied. Just as we teach our students to create a topic sentence and then support it with details, our Constitution does this, too.

Time Required: 15-30 minutes

Grade level: All grades – adults.

Materials:

- Slip of paper with a phrase from the Preamble.
- Crayons, colored pencils, or markers
- Blank sheet of paper

Activity:

- Give each student a slip of paper with a single phrase from the Preamble to the U.S. Constitution.
- Ask each student to draw a picture representing the phrase. T
- Share their illustration with the class.
- Learn to recite the Preamble

Suggested strategies:

Hand out the phrases in order. Then, ask students to present their illustrations in order. Thus, you'll be reviewing the Preamble multiple times and taking the first steps towards memorizing it.

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