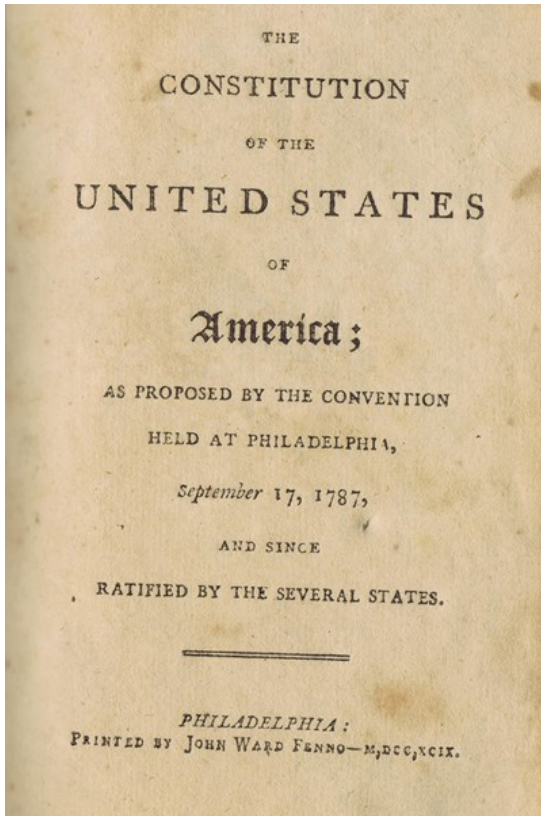




## Constitution Cornhole



*1799 Pocket Constitution owned by Senator John Brown  
Liberty Hall Historic Site Collections*

The Constitution of the United States is the framework of America's government.

Representatives from the states wrote it in 1787. Nine states accepted, or *ratified*, it in 1788. Four years later, Kentucky became a state. John Brown was chosen to represent Kentucky in the U.S. Senate.

Today students learn about the Constitution to understand how America's government works. To graduate from high school, Kentucky students must pass a test that includes questions about the Constitution and other government topics.

You can practice for that test—or just check your civics knowledge—in a game of Constitution Cornhole!

### Supplies and equipment

- 2 cornhole boards
- 8 cornhole bags
- Constitution questions (next page)

### Instructions

1. You will need three people for a singles game: two players and one person to read the questions.
2. Play according to the usual rules. But in order to pitch a bag, players must correctly answer a question. If a player chooses the wrong answer, she or he forfeits the pitch.

### Resources

Official cornhole rules:

<https://americancornhole.com/rules/>

National Constitution Center:

<https://constitutioncenter.org/>

More questions about government:

Kentucky Department of Education Civics Test and Administration Manual (PDF)

## Constitution Questions

Most of the questions are based on the Kentucky high school civics test. All but five are covered in fifth grade, but they're set up so any player has a 50/50 chance of guessing the right answer. For Constitution Cornhole, make one player or team red and the other blue. Read the question and the answer choices, and challenge players to choose the correct answer. The correct answers are underlined.

### What does a constitution do?

- A. Sets up and defines a government
- B. Draws boundaries for congressional districts

### When was the U.S. Constitution written?

- A. 1776
- B. 1787

### The idea of self-government is stated in the first words of the Constitution. Which are they?

- A. When in the course of human events
- B. We the people of the United States

### What are the two parts of Congress?

- A. The House of Representatives and Senate
- B. The Legislature and the Senate

### How long is one term in the U.S. House of Representatives?

- A. Four years
- B. Two years

### Who heads up the Executive Branch of government?

- A. The President
- B. The Chief Justice

### Who is the Commander in Chief of the military?

- A. The General of the Army
- B. The President

### If the president is no longer able to serve, who takes over his or her job?

- A. The Secretary of State
- B. The Vice President

### What is the highest court in the United States?

- A. U.S. District Court
- B. The Supreme Court

### Who nominates judges for the Supreme Court?

- A. Congress
- B. The President

### What is an amendment?

- A. A change or addition to the Constitution
- B. The introduction to the Constitution

### How many amendments does the Constitution have?

- A. Ten
- B. Twenty-seven

### What do we call the first ten amendments to the Constitution?

- A. The Declaration of Independence
- B. The Bill of Rights

### Which of the following is guaranteed by the 1st Amendment?

- A. The right to vote
- B. Freedom of speech

### What did the 13th Amendment do?

- A. It abolished slavery in the United States
- B. It guaranteed freedom of religion

### What group is guaranteed the right to vote by the 19th Amendment?

- A. Women
- B. Native Americans

