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Student notes for: *The Preamble and the First Amendment to the United States Constitution*

Day: 3

1. Reread the Preamble. Circle all of the strong verbs in the text. What connotation do these verbs have in the Preamble?

2. In the First Amendment, what strongly worded verb phrase begins the sentence?

3. The Preamble was published in 1787 and the First Amendment was adopted in 1791. What is different in the verb choice four years later? Does one or the other sound more demanding because of the verbs the framers used?

4. Did the point of view of the framers change from the creation of the Preamble to the addition of the First Amendment? How would you describe that change?



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Focus question: How are strong verbs used to convey the framers' point of view in the Preamble and the First Amendment ?

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