

WORKSHEET 2: CONSTITUTIONS



1. What is a constitution?

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2. What is important about a constitution?

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3. List three constitutions.

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4. What does a constitution provide?

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5. What is the Irish Constitution called?

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6. When was it written?

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7. What does the Irish constitution say about: a) personal rights b) the family c) education d) private property e) religion?

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8. Compare the Irish constitution to either the French or US constitution in each of the areas listed above.

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9. Can constitutions be changed? How?

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WORKSHEET 2: CONSTITUTIONS (CONTINUED)

10. What is the procedure for amending the Irish constitution and where is this rule outlined?

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11. How many amendments to the Irish constitution have been proposed?

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12. How many amendments have been made to the Irish constitution?

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13. Pick one of those amendments and outline what the changes entailed.

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14. Why do you think this amendment was suggested?

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15. What do you think has been the impact of this change?

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16. What rights do you get from the constitution?

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17. Do you feel you receive all your rights contained in the constitution? Explain.

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