The Constitution of the United States

Directions: The U.S. Constitution was approved by the Constitutional Congress and sent to the states for ratification in September 1787. What do you know about the Constitution? Explore the Web site provided. Then write the missing word or words in the blanks below.

Web Resources: The Constitution of the United States
http://bensguide.gpo.gov/6-8/documents/constitution/background.html

1. ______________________________________________________ was the president of the Constitutional Convention.

2. Delegates from __________________________ states attended the Convention.

3. The ______________________________________________________ was written to replace the Articles of Confederation.

4. Under the ______________________________________________________ each state remained independent.

5. The ______________________________________________________ united the states as one nation.

6. The _______________________________________________, passed four years after the Constitutional Convention, ensures individual rights.

If you want to know more about the Constitution, read the Bill of Rights at http://usinfo.state.gov/usa/infousa/facts/funndocs/billeng.htm. Then write about whether you think the Bill of Rights is a necessary part of the U.S. Constitution.