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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 Resource: 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://www.discover.net/~dansyr/billrigh.html>. Then write about whether you think the Bill of Rights is a necessary part of the U.S. Constitution.