

Document Graphic Organizer: The Preamble of the U.S. Constitution- Who are “We”?

Document	Background: When was it written? Who is the author? What is the purpose of the letter?	What evidence or quotes in the letter help define who “we” are in “We the People?”	Summarize findings in your own words. What knowledge did you gain from the quotes you listed above in the document concerning the definition of “We the People?”
DOCUMENT A Abigail Adams			
DOCUMENT B Three-Fifths Compromise			
DOCUMENT C George Mason			
DOCUMENT D Federal Census 1790			
DOCUMENT E 19th Amendment			
DOCUMENT F 26th Amendment			
DOCUMENT G Original Draft of the U.S. Constitution Preamble only			

Essay: Write an essay comparing and contrasting the founder’s impression of the phrase “We the People” in the 1790’s and how it has changed over time. Cite textual evidence from sources listed above to defend your answer.

(Expansion: **Furthermore, analyze what the phrase means to you as an individual in a democratic society.)