

Westside High School Lesson Plan Template

Teacher Name	Brownson	Unit Name	Foundations of American Democracy
Course	AP Government	Dates	8/22 – 8/26

Monday	Daily Objective: Course introduction; go over expectations and procedures.			
	Agenda with Approximate Time Limits:			
	Introduce myself Learn names Go over expectations and procedures Formative Assessment: Join AP Classroom			
	Extension: Join AP Classroom			
	Follow-Up/Homework: Read Declaration of Independence			
Tuesday	Daily Objective: Explain how democratic ideals are reflected in the Declaration of Independence and the U.S. Constitution.			
	Agenda with Approximate Time Limits:			
	Anticipation guide on current feelings about govt (5)			
	2. partners – share most important words/phrases from			
	Declaration of Independence (10)			
	3. review as a class (10)			
	4. slideshow on types of democracy & policymaking system (15)			
	Formative Assessment: AP Classroom 1.1 topic questions for exit ticket			
	Modifications: partners, HW if needed			
	Intervention: none			
	Extension: HW below			
	Follow-Up/Homework: HW to watch video on either Brutus 1 or Federalist 10 & complete that portion of Analytical Reading Activity			



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Wednesday/Thursday

Daily Objective: Explain how Federalist and Anti-Federalist views on central government and democracy are reflected in U.S. foundational documents.

Agenda with Approximate Time Limits:

- 1. Do now create AP Gov folder in google drive or One drive (3)
- partner w/ another student who read same foundational document and review
- 3. determine argument and most important claims used by the author to support argument (15)
- 4. those pairs will partner w/ pairs who reviewed other document to complete Analytical Reading Activity and main ideas of both articles on Foundational Documents Graphic Organizer (15)
- 5. review as a class (10)
- 6. back w/ partners read p. 37 in text on Articles of Confederation and add it to graphic organizer (15)
- 7. partners to complete 1 row of table on Constitutional Compromises after reading pp. 43-4 (5)
- 8. share with pairs who did the other row (5)
- Groups explain 1 either why a new constitution had to be written OR why compromises needed to be made at the Constitutional Convention.

Formative Assessment: AP Classroom topic review questions (1.2,

1.3, 1.4); exit ticket paragraph **Modifications:** partners, groups

Intervention:

Extension: discussion Follow-Up/Homework:

Friday

Daily Objective: Explain the constitutional principles of separation of powers and "checks and balances." Explain the implications of separation of powers and "checks and balances" for the U.S. political system.

Agenda with Approximate Time Limits:

Do now matching sep. of powers & checks & balances examples (10) Synthesize to discuss principles

Groups of 3 – read Fed 51 & complete Analytical Reading Activity (20)
Summarize Fed 51 into Foundational Docs Graphic Organizer (10)
Complete matching review (10)

Formative Assessment: matching review; summary of Fed 51



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Intervention:
Extension:
Follow-Up/Homework:

HW: define commerce clause, elastic clause, supremacy clause & find example of how they work