

Exploring Primary Source Documents

U.S. Constitution, Article I

Refer to the Constitution, WTP text, p316-319.

Group members do **oral or choral reading** of the parts of Article I that relate to the House of Representatives: Article I, Sections 2, 5, 6, 8, 9.

Using Article I, **answer the following questions** (or some of them). You may divide the questions among group members or pairs of group members.

1. List three things the author said that you think are important.
2. Why do you think this document was written?
3. What evidence in the document helps you know why it was written? Quote from the document.
4. List two things the document tells you about life in the United States at the time it was written.
5. Write a question to the author that is left unanswered by the document.
6. Or, from Scott Casper: What were they thinking? And what words in the document are most important?

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