

# Creating A Constitution

## Grade 10 Unit One Summative Assessment

### Step 1:

Pick a name for your country. Write the name in the space provided (*see image below*). Feel free to be as creative as possible. Additionally, it is recommended that your name aligns with the style of government you are claiming to be.

Name of Country:	Write the name here
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### Step 2:

Look at the PDF (linked on teams) with your assigned GDP.

### Step 3:

Enter your assigned GDP in the space provided (*see image below*).

Name of Country:	Write the name here		
INSTRUCTIONS	Do not touch boxes that are red.	National GDP	0.00
	Follow the instructions provided for each section.	Remaining	0.00
	You MUST have a balanced budget.		

### Step 4:

Highlight the boxes you wish to use in your country (*see image below*). Please note, you may only highlight one box per column. For example, you cannot have both an elected and appointed legislative branch. The only exception for this is "Voting Requirements" in which you can have as many or few as you want.

GOVERNMENT					
Highlight the boxes you want your state to follow in Green					
EXECUTIVE	Region Autonomy	Legislative	Governing Class	Voting Requirements	Religion
Group	Unequal	Appointed	Anyone	Age	State Atheism
Elected	No autonomy	Elected	Labor Unions	Education	Secular
	Limited	Direct vote	STEM	Landowner	State Religion
	High	Executive	Military Officials	Ethnicity	
	Total		Corporate Leaders		
			Clerics		

Explanation of each column:

The executive(s) is/are the person/people who execute the laws of the nations. In many nations this is a President, Prime Minister, or Monarch.

Region Autonomy relates to how your country is divided. Do you have provinces/states/districts? If so, how autonomous are they from the national government?

The Legislative is the section of government that makes the laws. What you pick for here should align with the system of government you wish to use in your country. Appointed would mean that the executive picks who these people are. Elected means that there is a process to determine who can and can't run for this. Direct vote means that all involved in the nation vote on who should be in the legislature. Executive means that the executive is also the legislative.

Governing class explains which group controls the political power in your country. This must align with your chosen system of government.

Voting requirements means what is required to vote in the nation. This must align with your chosen system of government.

Religion is whether or not your country has an official religion. This must align with your chosen system of government.

**Step 5:**

Determine what percentage of your overall GDP will be spent on the military. ONLY ENTER THIS NUMBER AS A PERCENTAGE IN THE YELLOW BOX (see image below). The red box will automatically change. After doing this, the box with remaining GDP (see image below) will change. It is crucial that you pay attention to the amount remaining since it will determine what you do moving forward.

<b>Military Funding</b>	
Percentage	
	0.00%
Total Spent	
	0
<b>National GDP</b>	0.00
<b>Remaining</b>	0.00

**Step 6:**

Highlight the boxes aligned with the policies you wish to use in your country (*see image below*). Please note, you may highlight multiple boxes per column if it makes sense with the system of government you have decided to use in your nation.

Policies					
Highlight the boxes you want your state to follow in Green					
Foreign Policy	Military Service	Immigration	Entry Requirements	Environmental Regulation	Women's Rights
Neutral	Conscription	Annual Limit	Language	Air pollution	Education
Pacifist	No Conscription	Students	Education	Land pollution	Employment
Isolationist		Workers	Ethnicity	Water pollution	Property
Interventionist		Asylees	Religion	Noise pollution	Voting
Expansionist		Refugees		Climate Change	Wage discrimination
					Maternity Leave

**Explanation of each column:**

Military service explains who will serve in your country's military. Be sure that this aligns with the system of government chosen.

Immigration determines who is allowed to immigrate into your nation. Be sure that this aligns with the system of government chosen.

Entry requirements relate to what is required for those entering your country. If you don't have any requirements, leave this blank. Be sure that this aligns with the system of government chosen.

Environmental regulations relate to the requirements your country will have on the environment. If you don't have any regulations, leave this blank. Be sure that this aligns with the system of government chosen.

Women's rights relate to the rights that women will have in your country. If you don't give women any rights, leave this blank. Be sure that this aligns with the system of government chosen.

**Step 7:**

Determine the economic policy of your nation. You may only highlight one box per column. For example, you cannot have both no regulations and employer-funded pensions. Be sure that your economic policies align with the system of government chosen.

Economics				
Highlight the boxes you want your state to follow in Green				
Minimum Wage	Pensions	Central Bank	CB Functions	Cash reserve ratio
Adjusted with inflation	No regulations	Publicly Owned	Discount window	Percentage
Fixed	Employer funded	Privately owned	Quantitative easing	15.00%
None	Employee/Employer Funded	None	Currency Intervention	Total
				0

Explanation of each column:

Minimum wage refers to the minimum amount workers can legally be paid in your nation. Be sure that what you picks aligns with your chosen form of government.

Pensions refer to the money an individual would need for retirement. You will need determine who pays for this (if you have them at all). Be sure that what you picks aligns with your chosen form of government.

Central Bank refers to the main bank in your nation (*think the Federal Reserve in the US*). Be sure that what you picks aligns with your chosen form of government.

CB Functions refers to the role the Central Bank will play in your nation. If you do not have a Central Bank you should leave this space blank. Be sure that what you picks aligns with your chosen form of government.

Cash Reserve ration refers to how much money your nation keeps on reserve at any time. You should enter a percentage on the yellow box. This percentage will come directly from your overall GDP. Do not write anything in the red box. Be sure that what you picks aligns with your chosen form of government. At this point, check the amount of GDP you have remaining (*see image below*). If the number is negative you must make an adjustment.

National GDP	0.00
Remaining	0.00

**Step 8:**

Look at your remining GDP and determine how much your nation would like to spend. Enter the amount you wish to spend in the pink box (*see image below*). Do not type anything in the red box.

Spending								
box). Then, enter the percentage you wish to spend on each sector in the yellow box.								
Amount Spent	Solar Energy	Amount Spent	Nuclear Energy	Amount Spent	Science	Amount Spent	Total Spending	Amount to spend
\$0.00	0.00%	\$0.00	0.00%	\$0.00	0.00%	\$0.00	0.00	0.00

**Step 9:**

Enter the percentage of your total spending (PINK BOX) into each of the yellow boxes below. The amount spent will adjust automatically so do not enter anything in the white boxes.

Spending							
<i>First, enter the total you wish to spend (pink box). Then, enter the percentage you wish to spend on each sector.</i>							
Waste disposal	Amount Spent	Public Parks	Amount Spent	Conservation	Amount Spent	Solar Energy	Amount Spent
0.00%	\$0.00	0.00%	\$0.00	0.00%	\$0.00	0.00%	\$0.00
Nuclear Energy	Amount Spent	Science	Amount Spent				
0.00%	\$0.00	0.00%	\$0.00				

Explanation of each column:

Water disposal is the amount of money you will spend on clean water in your country. If you do not spend money here you will not have clean drinking water and no public sewage. Lack of clean water and sewage will lead to an increase in diseases.

Public parks refer to open spaces for the public to gather. Parks are crucial for maintaining a sense of community and for keeping the people of the country happy.

Conservation refers to the protection of land. Conserving land creates cleaner air and is better for the environment. It can also lead to an increased level of happiness for your citizens. If you don't do this you could also deal with wildlife coming into your cities.

Solar energy is the amount you wish to spend on harnessing the energy of the sun. This will reduce the negative environmental impacts of your nation.

Nuclear energy is the amount you wish to spend on nuclear energy in your nation. This harnesses a large amount of energy but could lead to a major environmental disaster if poorly maintained.

Science refers to the amount your nation wants to spend on scientific research. Spending money here can help your nation develop cures for illnesses. It can also help your country in terms of military superiority.

**Step 10:**

Ensure that your spending percentage is 1.00% or less (*see image below*). If it is higher than 1.00% you must adjust accordingly.

Spending Percentage	0.00%	Must be 1.00% or less
Welfare Percentage	0.00%	Must be 1.00% or less

**Step 11:**

Look at your remaining GDP and determine how much your nation would like to spend on welfare. Enter the amount you wish to spend in the pink box (*see image below*). Do not type anything in the red box.

<b>Total Welfare</b>	<b>Amount to Spend</b>
0.00	0.00

**Step 12:**

Enter the percentage of your total welfare spending (PINK BOX) into each of the yellow boxes below. The amount spent will adjust automatically so do not enter anything in the white boxes.

Welfare							
First, enter the total you wish to spend (pink box). Then, enter the percentage you wish to spend on each sector in the yellow box.							
Unemployment	Amount Spent	Pension	Amount Spent	Minimum Income	Amount Spent	Basic Income	Amount Spent
0.00%	\$0.00	0.00%	\$0.00	0.00%	\$0.00	0.00%	\$0.00

**Explanation of each column:**

Unemployment refers to money your nation will spend to provide for those who are actively searching for a job but have not found one yet. Providing unemployment for citizens can increase their happiness, however, it could encourage people to not take jobs. Alternatively, failing to provide this could cause citizens to become upset while saving the country money.

Pension refers to the amount your country will spend on citizens retirement. Be sure that this aligns with your chosen system of government.

Minimum income refers to the amount your country will spend for those who are working. This is money that the government will pay employers to help the business keep their cost low. For example, if your hourly wage at Burger King was \$8.00 the company could pay \$7.00 and the government would pay the remaining \$1.00. This is only for those who are working. Doing this will encourage business to invest in your country, however, it will become expensive.

Basic income is money that all citizens will earn. This is independent of their job. Providing this will ensure happy citizens, however, it could lower their incentive to work. Be sure that this aligns with your chosen system of government.

**Step 13:**

Ensure that your welfare spending percentage is 1.00% or less (*see image below*). If it is higher than 1.00% you must adjust accordingly.

Spending Percentage	0.00%	Must be 1.00% or less
Welfare Percentage	0.00%	Must be 1.00% or less

**Step 14:**

Determine the punishments for different crimes in your country. You may only highlight one box per column (*see image below*).

<i>Highlight the rules you wish to enforce in Green</i>					
<b>Murder</b>	<b>Child abuse</b>	<b>Defamation</b>	<b>Corporate fraud</b>	<b>Ethnic Hate Speech</b>	<b>Dissent</b>
Unrestricted	Unrestricted	Unrestricted	Unrestricted	Unrestricted	Unrestricted
Fines	Fines	Fines	Fines	Fines	Fines
Jail Time	Jail Time	Jail Time	Jail Time	Jail Time	Jail Time
Life Sentence	Life Sentence	Life Sentence	Life Sentence	Life Sentence	Life Sentence
Death Penalty	Death Penalty	Death Penalty	Death Penalty	Death Penalty	Death Penalty

<b>Treason</b>	<b>Public Embezzlement</b>	<b>Incitement</b>	<b>Obscenity</b>	<b>War Crime</b>
Unrestricted	Unrestricted	Unrestricted	Unrestricted	Unrestricted
Fines	Fines	Fines	Fines	Fines
Jail Time	Jail Time	Jail Time	Jail Time	Jail Time
Life Sentence	Life Sentence	Life Sentence	Life Sentence	Life Sentence
Death Penalty	Death Penalty	Death Penalty	Death Penalty	Death Penalty

*Explanation of each row:*

Unrestricted means that the action is legal.

Fines means a financial punishment is issued for the action.

Jail time means the individual who commits the action will be incarcerated for a time period.

Life sentence means that the individual who commits the action will live the rest of their life incarcerated.

Death penalty means the individual who commits the crime will be executed.

*Explanation of each column:*

Murder refers to taking another person's life.

Child abuse refers to physically/mentally harming someone under the age of 18.

Defamation refers to speaking/writing false claims about an individual in public.

Corporate fraud refers to lying to individuals in order to make your business money.

Ethnic hate speech refers to publicly stating, in writing or verbally, your dislike of an ethnicity.

Dissent refers to publicly expressing views contrary to those of the government.

Treason refers to the act of going directly against your own nation.

Public embezzlement refers to government officials stealing money from the nation for their personal use.

Incitement refers to encouraging others to rise up against the government.

Obscenity refers to words, actions, or images that are publicly displayed which offend others.

War crimes refer to violating international laws of war.

#### Step 14:

Highlight the box associated with each type of firearm (*see image below*). You must highlight one box per column.

Firearms		
<i>Highlight the rules you wish to enforce in Green</i>		
Hand guns	Shotgun	Rifle
Unrestricted	Unrestricted	Unrestricted
Background	Background	Background
Training License	Training License	Training License
Recreational License	Recreational License	Recreational License
Illegal	Illegal	Illegal
Fines	Fines	Fines
Jail Time	Jail Time	Jail Time
Life Sentence	Life Sentence	Life Sentence
Death Penalty	Death Penalty	Death Penalty

#### Explanation of each row:

Unrestricted means that anyone may access the firearm.

Background means that a background check must first be passed to determine who may access the firearm.

Training license means that an course must first be passed in order to access the firearm.

Recreational License means that those who wish to use the firearm must pass a course and can only use if for recreational purposes.

Illegal means that possessing the firearm is against the law.

Fines means that those in possession of the firearm will receive a financial penalty.

Jail time means that those possessing the firearm will be incarcerated for a period of time.

Life sentence means that those possessing the firearm will be incarcerated for the remainder of their life.

Death sentence means that those who possess a firearm will be put to death.

#### **Step 15:**

Write your constitution following the steps below. Be sure to align your written constitution with the template you completed in steps 1-14. Additionally, you should justify your beliefs with different political philosophers when appropriate.

##### **a. Write the preamble:**

The preamble should introduce the constitution and outline the objectives in a few sentences.

Example:

*The Nations of the Region of Anteria hereby establish this Constitution with the purpose of ensuring Regional stability and prosperity, and to uphold the Rights of the individual member Nations with respect to the individual Leaders of the said Nations, and the Sovereign Statutes thereof.*

##### **b. Define the organization/region/government/positions:**

After starting your first Article as "Article 1" you may choose to give the article a name or not, that is up to you. Break it into sections to define each part. Section 1 should be the name of your body/organization/government.

Example:

*There shall be a Regional Government, the body of which shall be known as the Ministry of Anteria, whose purpose is to uphold the Rights of the Nations of Anteria; to enforce the Laws set forth by this Constitution, which shall be the highest Law of the Region...*

Then follow it up with Section 2 and define the roles/positions set up by this body.

Example:

*The Office of Minister shall be held by a single Nation which shall be the Primary Nation of the Person who operates the said Nation, who shall come to occupy the said Office by means of election...*

On top of each offices name and function, you should also outline the requirements and process for each of the offices you create in terms how who will hold it, how long they will hold it, and how they even get elected to it.

Example:

*A single Nation which shall be the Primary Nation of the Person who operates the said Nation shall be elected to the Office of Minister by means of a Regional Poll, which shall occur on the last day of the current Administrative Term and be open to the submission of Votes for twenty-four hours...*

You also want to use Article 1 as a place where you can define the concepts or words you will be using throughout the document, so when that word arises people will know exactly to which you are referring to.

Example:

*In clear terms, the definitions of Nation, Person, Primary Nation, and Puppet Nation shall be inscribed here: Nation: An entity on Nation-states which may be identified as a Country, Nation, State, or other such body which exists as a Member of the Region of Anteria on Nation-states. Person: The physical human who identifies as or has otherwise been proven to be the leader of one or more Nations within the Region of Anteria. Primary Nation: A single Nation that is within the Region of Anteria such that the said Nation is the only Nation under the operation of the corresponding Person through which official Regional Votes and poll answers may be recognized. Puppet Nation: A Nation under the operation of a Person that is within the Region of Anteria which is not the Primary Nation of the said Person.*

**c. Provide rules on functions and procedures.**

Now this is where you should start a new Article. Article 2. Now I touched down office procedures in Article 1, however this should be where you really get into the meat of what exactly your organization does and how your region itself will operate. This will tell people how things in your region are meant to function for reference.

Example:

*All Laws written which shall become Regional Law shall abide by the Rights of the Nations of Anteria and Regional Laws as set forth in this Constitution. The Office of the Chief Justice and the Office of Minister shall retain the right and the duty to write and enact Regional Laws...*

You may choose to break this into its own article or leave it as a section of the same article, but there is also the chance you might have to remove someone from office and this is the part where you can do so. This can also be where you outline the criminal code in your region, what happens to those who break your rules.

Example:

*Trials which shall be conducted to interpret a violation of Regional Law by a Nation may be appealed for a new Hearing if a Primary Nation should provide significant evidence...*

**d. Establish the rights:**

This can be your next article, Article 3. Arguable one of the most important parts of your constitution. What rights and privileges belong to your members? This is the part where you let your members know what they are entitled to and how they can expect to be treated within your region. It might be a good opportunity though, when writing these, to make sure people know where the line is drawn and what might not be covered by this section.

Example:

*All Persons who operate Nations within the Region of Anteria shall reserve these unalienable Rights, One, all Persons within the Region of Anteria shall retain the Right to freedom of speech within the Region, unless the Person has uttered speech which is directly and unnecessarily hateful, discriminatory, or otherwise deeply offensive toward another Person within the Region of Anteria...*

**e. Establish the means of which your document is legitimate.**

This section is mostly just a formality. What Makes your document the legitimate governance for your place? Was it voted in? Did the Founder sign off on it? was it a committee agreement? This is an opportunity to get fancy.

Example:

*As written in this Constitution, the Regional Founders of the Region of Anteria and the Nations of the Region of Anteria have agreed that this Document shall govern the said Region as the absolute Law of Anteria and all entities which may fall under the administration and regulation of the Ministry of Anteria. Here on the tenth day of May, in the year two-thousand eighteen...*

**f. Sign it**

This is your document, be proud of it. Those who were involved should proudly put their names down.

Example:

*Whereof We, The Regional Founders of Anteria, have hereunto subscribed our Names, (Write your names)*

**Step 16:**

Create propaganda for your nation. There is no requirement for the number of pieces that you are to create or how you wish to create them. The only requirement is that you use each of the 11 Methods of propaganda (Linked on the website) and then list how each method is used.