

English Term 1

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We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty, and the pursuit of Happiness.—That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed,—That

1) According to this paragraph, the 'Declaration of Independence' is written in the ----- tense, from a ----- point of view.

- A. present; first person (singular)
- B. present; first person (plural)
- C. past; first person (singular)
- D. past; third person (plural)

2) What are the mentioned unalienable rights?

3) Read the given excerpt and figure out what it is about?

The history of the present King of Great Britain is a history of repeated injuries and usurpations, all having in direct object the establishment of an absolute Tyranny over these States. To prove this, let Facts be submitted to a candid world.

He has refused his Assent to Laws, the most wholesome and necessary for the public good.

He has forbidden his Governors to pass Laws of immediate and pressing importance, unless suspended in their operation till his Assent should be obtained; and when so suspended, he has utterly neglected to attend to them.

He has refused to pass other Laws for the accommodation of large districts of people, unless those people would relinquish the right of Representation in the Legislature, a right inestimable to them and formidable to tyrants only.

A. It states the speaker's opinion about the British King

B It states the speaker's opinion about the British King and provides evidence to support the given opinion.

C It provides facts in favor of the British King

4) Guess the meaning of the given words from the excerpt above.

Usurpations tyranny candid wholesome utterly neglect relinquish tyrant

5) Match the words with their meanings.

Words	Meanings
1. usurpation	A. cruel and oppressive government or rule
2. tyranny	B. conducive to or suggestive of good health and physical well-being.
3. candid	C. renounce; give up
4. wholesome	D. not pay proper attention to; disregard
5. utterly	E. exercise or use authority wrongfully
6. neglect	F. a cruel and oppressive ruler.
7. relinquish	G. completely; absolutely
8. tyrant	H. truthful and straightforward; frank.

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6) Choose 2 words and make your own sentences.

7) Match the given details from column A with those in column B about the features of an argument.

Column A
1. In an argument, a writer or speaker expresses
2. Claims are
3. Evidence consists of
4. Reasoning is a combination of

Column B
A. statements that convey the writer's or speaker's position.
B. facts, examples, and experts opinions that uphold the claim.
C. statements, questions, and rhetorical sentences.
D. opinion about the topic and defends that opinion.

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8) Paraphrase the given short excerpts. (Use your own words)

It is important to note that the Declaration did not specifically advocate for the rights and freedoms of all who lived in America during this time.

The values of freedom and equality established in the Declaration of Independence would later inspire movements and legislation that advocated for the idea that “all men are created equal.”
