



# Arguments for and Against Including a Bill of Rights in the United States Constitution

**Directions:** Cut out the statements at the bottom of the page and sort them as **For OR Against** including a Bill of Rights in the U.S. Constitution.

For the Bill of Rights	Against the Bill of Rights

Because any power not granted to the federal government already belongs to the states or to the people	Because the federal government was not granted any authority to regulate freedoms
To recognize the natural freedoms of the people	Because it would be impossible to list every single personal right
To define the limited powers of the government over the people	To protect the people by prohibiting the government from threatening or violating their rights and freedoms