

**Label the following on your paper:** "Declaration of Independence" –Section 1

**Directions:** Match up the numbered quotes below (1-3) with the correct letter that follows. (A, B, or C)

"When, in the course of human events, **(1) it becomes necessary for one people to dissolve the political bonds which have connected them with another**, and to assume among the powers of the earth, the separate and **(2) equal station to which the laws of nature and of nature's God entitle them**, a decent respect to the opinions of mankind requires that **(3) they should declare the causes which impel them to the separation.**"

- A. *It's time to break up with the king. (Common sense/Thomas Paine, social contract)*
- B. *We're going to tell you why we are breaking up with you. (Common sense, social contract)*
- C. *Everyone has equal rights. (natural rights/John Locke)*

**Key Vocab help:**

- **Dissolve:** to get rid of or destroy...to **separate**
- **Bonds:** our connections to each other
- **Entitle:** someone owes something to you; gives something to you
- **Declare:** to state/say for others to hear or understand
- **Impel:** push or force you to do something

**Label the following on your paper:** "Declaration of Independence" –Section 2

**Directions:** Match up the numbered quotes below (1-3) with the correct letter that follows. (A, B, or C)

We hold these truths to be self-evident, that **(1) 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."

**(2) "That to secure these rights, governments are instituted among men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed."**

"That **(3) whenever any form of government becomes destructive to these ends, it is the right of the people to alter or to abolish it**, and to institute new government..."

**Key Vocab help:**

- **Self-evident:** Not needing to be explained; obvious
- **Endowed:** to be given something
- **Unalienable:** natural; unable to be taken away
- **Instituted:** to be made or created
- **Deriving:** where something comes from originally, the source of something
- **Consent:** permission to do something
- **Alter/abolish:** to change or to destroy

- A.** *Governments are made by the people to protect their natural rights, and it's the people that give government permission to exist. (Social contract, Self-Government/Mayflower Compact and Limited Government/Magna Carta)*
- B.** *It's obvious that all people are equal and given natural rights that can't be taken away. (Natural rights/John Locke, English Bill of Rights/freedoms)*
- C.** *Whenever government takes away your natural rights, the people can destroy it and start a new one. (Self-government/Common Sense/Mayflower Compact, John Locke/Social Contract)*