

VS.5a Declaration of Independence

Directions:

- Copy the template below.
- Make a shutter fold using the copied template. Begin with the printed side down. Pinch the paper in the middle where a hamburger crease would be. Then use the pinch as a guide to bring both sides to the middle, making a shutter. The document template should come together and meet when the shutter is closed as in the photo.
- Inside the shutter, write details about the Declaration of Independence.
- Add drawings beside the statements to show additional meaning.

Answer Key:

- The Declaration was written by Thomas Jefferson
- It states that
 - The authority to govern belongs to the people not to the king.
 - All people are created equal.
 - All people have the right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.

Refer to page 21 of the *2008 Curriculum Framework* for additional information.



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