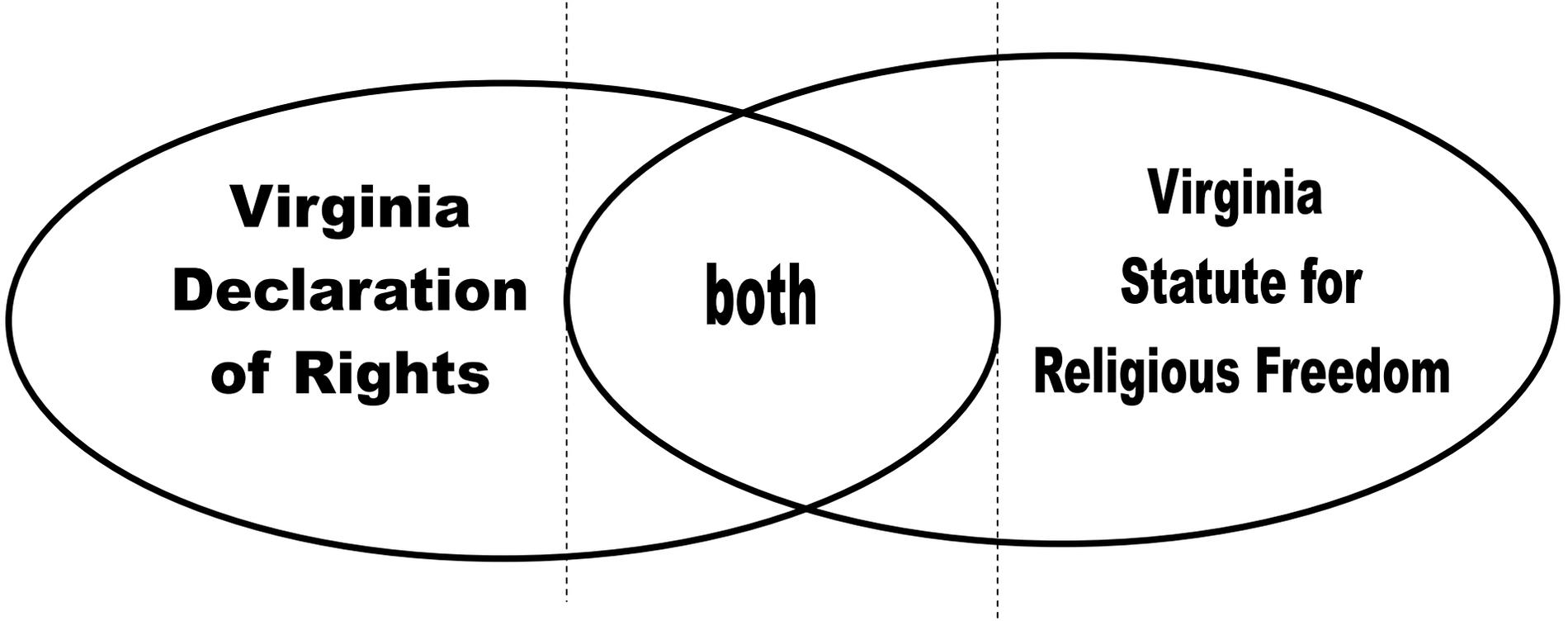


Two Important Documents

VS.6b Virginia Declaration of Rights and Virginia Statute for Religious Freedom



**Virginia
Declaration
of Rights**

both

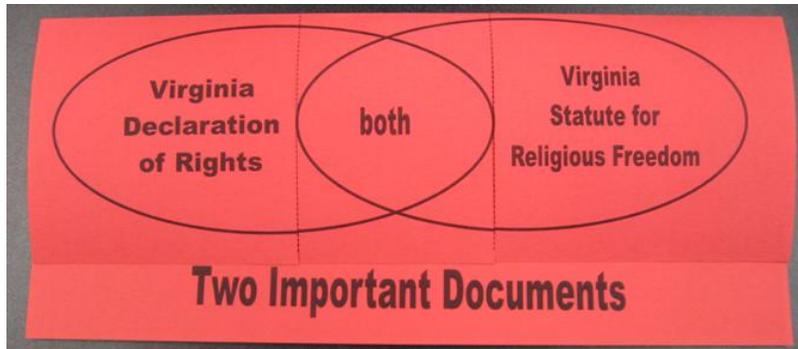
**Virginia
Statute for
Religious Freedom**

Teaching Tips:

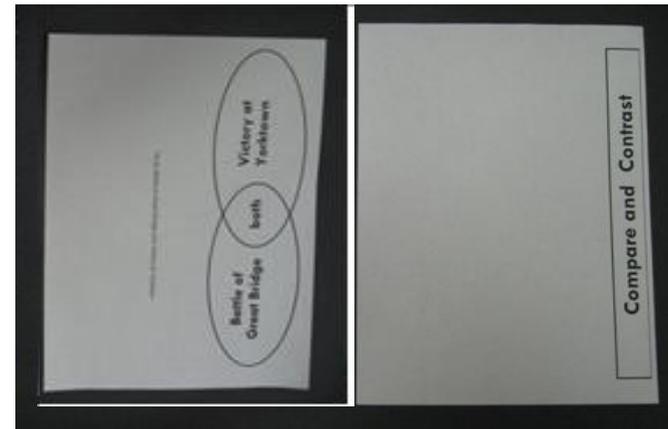
- Copy the Venn template front to back so that the title “Two Important Documents” is at the bottom of one side, and the Venn template is on the bottom of the opposite side. This can be copied on white or colored paper.
- Students make a hotdog fold, but instead of creasing in the middle of the paper, crease of center to leave a 1” tab at the bottom so that the title, “Two Important Documents” is showing.
- Cut the top layer in thirds, making 3 tabs, separating the 3 sections: VDR, both, and VSRF.
- Under the 3 tabs, students include information about each document, with similarities listed under the middle flap. See the *Curriculum Framework 2008*, page 25, for details.

Key:

Virginia Declaration of Rights	both	Virginia Statute of Religious Freedom
<p>SOL facts to know:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Written by George Mason • Says all Virginians have many rights • Freedom of the Press <p>Other facts of interest:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adopted unanimously at the Virginia Convention in Williamsburg on June 12, 1776, just before the Declaration of Independence • James Madison helped Mason with the section on religious freedom • Served as a model for the Bill of Rights • It was the first Constitutional protection of individual rights for citizens of North America • Has 16 articles • Includes natural rights to life, liberty, and property, • sees the government as the servant of the people • Lists limits on governmental power 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Both documents written by Virginians • Both documents include Freedom of Religion- allowing people to worship as they please. 	<p>SOL facts to know:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Written by Thomas Jefferson <p>Other facts of interest:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Drafted in 1779 • The Statute for Religious Freedom is one of only three accomplishments Jefferson wanted to be engraved in his epitaph (gravestone). • The Virginia General Assembly made it state law. • Has 3 articles



This finished foldable sample is copied from a white template.



Teachers may copy the template on white paper as shown in this similar example, and then make student copies front to back on colored paper if desired. Stack papers like this in the copier and select one sided copies to two sided copies.

VGLA adaptation:

Provide students with the following strips to sort and place under the correct section. Note that extra facts that do not fit are included. Include these as student choices so that students must select from both correct and incorrect information and can better demonstrate understanding.

Was written by George Mason	Was written by George Washington	Was written by Thomas Jefferson
Was written by James Madison	Includes freedom of the press	Includes the right to carry a gun
Includes freedom of religion – that people should not be told where and how they must worship.	Explains why colonists wanted to break away from Great Britain	Says “No taxation without representation.”