Ms. Dobbs Enduring Document

**Envisioning Change**

* Constitution written in 1787 - \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ years ago
* Framers realized the nation & the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ would change over the years
	+ Included a process for \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_; adaptable for things they never could’ve imagined

**Changing the Constitution**

* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
	+ Didn’t want politics or quick changes in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to have influence
* There are \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ ways to change the Constitution
	+ Formally - \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
	+ Informally – through government acts or by customs/traditions

**The Amendment Process**

* Amendment = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Must be \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ then \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Amendments can be proposed in 2 different ways:
	+ In Congress – propose with \_\_\_\_\_\_ vote in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ houses (parts)
	+ Through \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ - 2/3 of the state legislatures ( states) call convention to propose amendments
* There are \_\_\_\_\_\_ ways to ratify an amendment:
	+ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of state legislatures have to approve ( )
	+ Sent to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for consideration
* After ratified amendment becomes part of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Another amendment can be passed to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ ( ) if unpopular
	+ Ex: 1933 – 21st amendment passed to repeal the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ amendment

**Interpreting the Constitution**

* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
	+ Means it is open for interpretation (strict or loose)
* Many changes in government happen because of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
	+ “Unwritten Constitution” - \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
		- Ex: meetings between the president & his \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_