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 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_