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Reading 6

Summary:

Text: All men are created equal and endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable rights. Among these are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. To secure these, governments are instituted among men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed.

Claim : This is the right of all men, including all women, including the right to vote because how can they be given the consent to be governed if women are not allowed to vote.

Text: We, the people of the United States, in order to form a more perfect union, establish justice, insure domestic tranquility, provide for the common defense, promote the general welfare, and secure the blessings of liberty to ourselves and our posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America.

Claim: Government was made by us, the whole population of America, not just the men, to secure our rights, not to give them. Women are refused liberty while they are forbidden to not vote.

Text: All Constitutions

Claim: The constitution is written with male pronouns, but why are women refused the right to vote, but still have to pay taxes while the constitution only states the men have too. If you say is male only in one part, then its male only in everything.

Text: All persons born or naturalized in the United States, and subject to the jurisdiction thereof, are citizens of the United States, and of the State wherein they reside.

No state shall make or enforce any law which shall abridge the privileges or immunities of citizens of the United States; nor shall any State deprive any person of life, liberty or property  
without due process of law, or deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of  
the laws.

Claim: No state or government can make a women not a citizen, making every law against women useless.

Rhetorical Situation: I would think Anthony is trying to focus her speech toward the American citizens or the ones who follow the law because right now the government is going against itself and the only way to fix the government is to bring the people, particularly the males, to force the government to enforce the laws already made and allow women to vote.