**Founding Documents: Inspiration for a New Nation**

***Part 1****. Match the key terms found in the word bank below to the definitions that best describe them. Type the vocabulary word into the matching empty box. Each term will only be used once.*

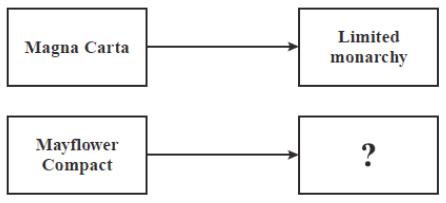
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| Rule of Law | Self-Government | Limited Government | Rights |  | Social Contract |

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| **Key Term** | **Definition** |
|  | 1) Guarantees or protections for our freedoms. |
|  | 2) A government that has been limited in power by a constitution, or written agreement. |
|  | 3) All people must follow the laws, and the laws should be enforced fairly and equally. |
|  | 4) An agreement among the people to set up a government and obey its laws. |
|  | 5) People can make decisions on how their government should work. |

***Part 2****. Read through each of the documents found in our PDF reading for today titled “Colonial Influences.” Then use the reading to fill out the blank spots in the chart.*

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|  | **Magna Carta** | **Mayflower Compact** | **English Bill of Rights** | **Common Sense** |
| **When was it written?** | 1215 |  |  |  |
| **Who wrote it?** | The English Nobles |  |  |  |
| **What kind of document was it?**  *(highlight the correct choice)* | * Government Document * Agreement between individuals * Pamphlet | * Government Document * Agreement between individuals * Pamphlet | * Government Document * Agreement between individuals * Pamphlet | * Government Document * Agreement between individuals * Pamphlet |
| **What was its purpose?**  **(i.e. What did it do?)** | Gave certain rights to the nobles and limited the power of the king. |  |  |  |
| **What big ideas from our lesson are found in it?** *(use our vocab words from Part 1)* | 1) Limited government  2) Rule of law  3) Rights | 1)  2) | 1)  2)  3) | 1)  2) |

***Part 3****. Based on our lesson, answer the following questions.*

**1) The diagram to the right shows that the colonists formed some of their political views from some historical documents.**

**Which phrase completes the diagram?**

A. separation of powers

B. economic freedom

C. self-government

D. individual rights

ANSWER:

**2) The statement below is an excerpt from Magna Carta (1215). Which right was guaranteed in this excerpt from Magna Carta?**

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| *“No free man shall be seized or imprisoned, or stripped of his rights or possessions, or outlawed or exiled, or deprived of his standing in any other way, nor will we proceed with force against him, or send others to do so, except by the lawful judgement of his equals or by the law of the land.”* |

1. A. no taxation without representation
2. B. trial by jury
3. C. freedom of the press
4. D. freedom of religion

ANSWER:

**3) Which of the following were most similar?**

1. A. The Mayflower Compact and John Locke’s social contract theory
2. B. The English Bill of Rights and Thomas Paine’s “Common Sense”
3. C. Magna Carta and Montesquieu’s separation of powers
4. D. The Mayflower Compact and Montesquieu’s separation of powers

ANSWER:

**4) Why do you think that limited government is so important to a society? What would a government without limits look like?**

ANSWER:

**5) Why do you think that self-government is so important to our society? If we did not have input in our government, what might happen? (Be specific.)**

ANSWER: