



## Analyzing Historical U.S. Documents

### Today's Standard

9-10.RI.9 - Analyze seminal U.S. documents of historical and literary significance (e.g., Washington's Farewell Address, the Gettysburg Address, Roosevelt's Four Freedoms speech, King's 'Letter from Birmingham Jail'), including how they address related themes and concepts.

### Real-World Applications for this Standard

Comparing themes in historical speeches.; Discussing the impact of these documents on modern society.; Writing essays on the relevance of these documents today.; Creating presentations on the historical context of the documents.

### Today I Learned

Today, we learned about important U.S. documents like speeches and letters that have shaped our country's history. These documents talk about big ideas like freedom and justice.

### Common Stumbling Blocks

Sometimes, kids think these old documents don't matter today. But they do! They also might think these documents are easy to understand, but they actually use special ways of writing to share important messages.

### Quiz Me

- What is a historical document?
- Can you name one important U.S. document?
- Why are these documents important?
- What is one theme these documents talk about?
- How can we understand these documents better?

### Help Me

These important documents talk about ideas that still matter today, like freedom and justice. We can see how these ideas are still important by looking at what's happening in the world now. By studying these documents, we learn how to think carefully and understand big ideas.

