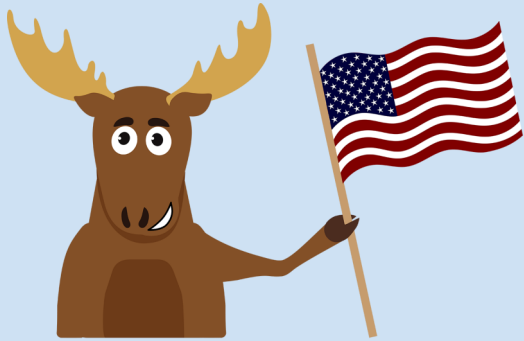


CONSTITUTIONAL GOVERNMENTS



The U.S. Constitution Is the World's Oldest!

America's constitutional government was founded in 1789. Many state governments had already adopted constitutional government by writing their own constitutions.

The U.S. Constitution Is First!

The United States was the first constitutional government in the world. It derives its power from the people, not a monarch or a dictator.

The U.S. Constitution Inspired the World!

Other constitutional governments founded after the United States include:

- France (1791)
- Poland (1791)
- Norway (1814)
- Liberia (1847)
- Argentina (1861)
- Brazil (1889)
- Italy (1946)



Constitutions Are Based on Written Laws!

A constitutional government is based on a written document (a constitution) that limits the power of government through laws.



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