



Activity: Importance of National Documents

Break into groups of 5-8 students. Answer three of the following questions. After 10 minutes, review answers as a group.

1. How important is it for us to have the original copies of the Declaration of Independence, Constitution, and Bill of Rights? Why?
2. Why are these documents protected and guarded?
3. What responsibility does the National Archives have to American citizens in terms of protecting and preserving important documents in American and world history?
4. What value do you think the *National Treasure* movies (and others like them) lend to history?
5. What historical event should be turned into a movie and why?