

Unit 1 Lesson 7: What Basic Ideas about Rights & Constitutional Government Did Colonial Americans Have?

	(Lecture/Reading Notes)
How did the colonial settlement of America inspire new experiments in constitutional government?	Salutary (1620-1770) 150 Years of self-government This means to not enforce, particularly where the enforcement may have counterproductive results. It is often used to describe the policy of leniency in dealing with matters in the American colonies.
	Compact: Covenant or social contract, to which
	the Pilgrims agreed prior to landing in, Massachusetts in 1620.
What was unique	Why did immigrants come to the new world?Opportunity & Religious
What was unique about the American experience?	Why did the colonists adapt old ideas of English customs, laws, and ideas about good government as well as develop new ones? 3000 miles of
	Land was plentiful &This gave American colonists far greater to get ahead and achieve prosperity.
What basic ideas of	: Land held by noble title could not be sold, rather by law it had to be handed down to the eldest
constitutional	Equality of va of Condition
government did the	Equality of vs of Condition Equal opportunity made available for prosperity vs. the
colonial governments use?	government guaranteeing everyone the same station in life.
	Established vs. Freedom of
	was the first colony to grant freedom of conscience to everyone.
	Fundamental Orders of1639First colonial
	constitutionderived it's authority from all free men living
	within its jurisdiction established a body for making laws.
	Ideas of British constitutionalism embodied in the governments of the British colonies.
	Rights Rule of of Powers
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	of Powers
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	Checks & Government
Why did colonial governments become more representative than Britain's? What basic rights did most Americans enjoy?	acresUsual requirement for voting in the colonies. It seemed reasonable in the colonies as well as in Britain that if the goal of government was to protect in order to preserve life & liberty, then a property requirement to was reasonable. Body of Liberties 1641First colonial charter of rightsled eventually to the U.S. Bill of Examples of voting restriction in colonial America 1ownership 2. male 3. members of the established state
	Women: usually had the same legal status of underage
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Did all Americans enjoy these rights?	Indentured: usually white who were little better off than slaves as they completed their period of service.
	America's "Great" Institution of -"How is it that we hear the loudest yelps for among the drives of negroes?" »an English observer
How did colonial experience prepare Americans for independence?	2 traditions that would provide a basis for the American Revolution. 1 government 2 guarantees of rights
On a separate sheet of paper: Complete Reviewing & Using the Lesson Ques. 1-5 page 41.	Write a brief reflection stating what you think most interesting from Lesson 7: