**Roots of the American Democracy**

**Magna Carta (1215)**

* **King \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (1199-1216) of England** was forced by nobles to sign the **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ “Great Charter”**
* Established the principle of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
	+ The King’s power was limited NOT absolute.
* King had to obey law like everyone else
* Established ***\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ ~*** a system of law based on precedent set in previous rulings.
	+ **Precedent** – ruling by a court on a similar case
* Established **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**
	+ Can not be imprisoned without a trial
* Established **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**
	+ Formal legal proceedings (conviction, trial, sentence, jury decision, etc.)
* Established idea of No Taxation without Representation

**Virginia House of Burgesses (1619)**

* Founded in 1607, Jamestown was started based on a royal ***charter*** ~a written document granting land and authority to set up \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* ***Virginia House of Burgesses (1619)*** ~ first \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in colonial America
	+ **Legislature** – makes laws (example: Congress)
	+ Established a **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** (\_\_\_\_house) structure.
* Virginia was divided into 4 districts with 2 delegates each.
	+ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ white, male, property owners were allowed to vote.

**Mayflower Compact (1620)**

* Before landing at Plymouth Rock, 41 pilgrims aboard the Mayflower signed this document outlining rules for government
* ***Mayflower Compact (1620)*** ~ was the first direct democracy in colonial America.
	+ ***Direct Democracy*** *=* allowed all adult men to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ on issues by **popular vote** or **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.**
* Under this government pilgrims elected their own leaders and created their own laws.

**Fundamental Orders of Connecticut (1639)**

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	+ **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** = a written set of laws
* Key Ideas in the Fundamental Orders:
	+ Limited the power of the government
	+ Contained majority rule, consent of the governed, and protected minority rights.
* Copied by all other colonies!!

**Religious Freedom**

* **Colony of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (1644)** ~ established by Roger Williams who was banished from Massachusetts.
	+ Established the idea of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* **Maryland Toleration Act (1649)** ~ Guaranteed religious freedom to all Christians.
* **William Penn’s “Holy Experiment” (1681)** ~ established the colony of Pennsylvania for \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
	+ Considered the most democratic colony.

**English Bill of Rights (1689)**

* In 1688, Parliament invited William and Mary to take the throne of England from James II,Mary’s father this was called the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
	+ Parliament demonstrated that it was stronger than the King.
* English Bill of Rights (1689) ~ severely \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the power of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_; Parliament and English citizens were given far more power and influence.
	+ Significantly influenced the American \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_!

**Key Ideas from the English Bill of Rights**

* Extended the Rights guaranteed in the Magna Carta.
	+ Kings do not have the divine right to rule
	+ Kings rule due to the consent of Parliament (and voice of the people)
	+ People have the right to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the government
	+ People have a right to a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ trial
	+ People have a right to a jury of their peers
	+ people have a right to be protected from \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
	+ People have a right not to be charged excessive bails and fines.

**The Enlightenment (1690)**

* **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** ~ a social, philosophical, and political movement that began in Europe.
	+ Many philosophers attempted the explain the **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**.
	+ Believed that **reason** was the basis for authority
* Reached its peak during the mid-1700s in France.
	+ **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** = French Philosophers
	+ **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ =** wanted economic reforms.

**5 Concepts of the Enlightenment**

1. **Reason** –believed truth could be discovered through reason or logical thinking.
2. **Nature** – what was natural was also good and reasonable.
3. **Happiness** – urged people to find happiness on Earth.
4. **Progress** – society and humankind could improve.
5. **Liberty** – called for the liberties that the English had won during the Glorious Revolution and English Bill of Rights.

**Enlightenment Spreads**

* The Enlightenment spread throughout Europe with the help of books, magazines, and word of mouth.
	+ **Salons** = social gatherings where philsophes met to discuss ideas.
* **“\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_”** = rulers who embraced the ideas of the Enlightenment and provided religious freedom, freedom of press, and improved education to their people.
	+ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (Prussia)
	+ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (Austria)
	+ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (Russia)