Prior Knowledge:

1. Fill in the blanks of the missing words in the Preamble to the Constitution.

We the People of the United States, in order to form a more
________________________, establish
________________________, insure ______________________
________________________, provide for the ___________________
________________________, promote the ___________________
________________________, and secure the ________________ to ourselves and our __________________do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America.

Critical Vocabulary:

Use the dictionary or thesaurus to write two synonyms - words that mean the same or nearly the same - for each word listed below.

2. perfect

3. union

4. justice

5. domestic

6. tranquility

7. common
8. defense

9. general

10. welfare

11. blessings

12. liberty

13. posterity

**Purpose for Reading:**

Rewrite the Preamble by replacing the original wording with the synonyms you've written above. Choose your synonyms carefully to avoid changing the meaning of the Preamble.

We the People of the United States, in order to form a more ___________________________ establish __________________________, insuring __________________________, provide for the __________________________, promote the __________________________ and secure the __________________________ of __________________________ to ourselves and our __________________________ do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America.

**Mastery Task:**

**Activity:** Memorize the Preamble to the Constitution. Be prepared to write out the Preamble in a quiz situation. (       ) Complete