



EQ: How did Enlightenment thinkers influence American documents?

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<p>Document 1: The Declaration of Independence</p> <p>“We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights, that among these are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. That to secure these rights, governments are instituted among men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed.</p> <p>That whenever any form of government becomes destructive to these ends, it is the right of the people to alter or to abolish it, and to institute new government.”</p>		
<p>Document 2: US Bill of Rights</p> <p>“In all criminal prosecutions, the accused shall enjoy the right to a speedy and public trial, by an impartial jury of the State and district wherein the crime shall have been committed.”</p>		

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<p>Document 3: First Amendment of the Constitution</p> <p>“Congress shall make no law... prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances.”</p>		
<p>Document 4: U.S. Constitution</p> <p>“All legislative Powers herein granted shall be vested in a Congress of the United States, which shall consist of a Senate and House of Representatives. The executive Power shall be vested in a President of the United States of America. The judicial Power of the United States shall be vested in one supreme Court, and in such inferior Courts as the Congress may from time to time ordain and establish.”</p>		
<p>Document 5: First Amendment of the Constitution</p> <p>“Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof.”</p>		