

# NAME THAT ARTICLE

Learning Objective: The student will

Create an acronym to help them remember the organization and purpose of the seven articles of the Constitution.

TEKS: 8.15D

Materials: Copies of the U.S. Constitution; transparency of the sample acronym to use as a model.

Teaching Strategy:

1. Explain to the students the importance of knowing the basic structure of the Constitution to help them locate key ideas as well as the use of an acronym as a memory tool.
2. Share the following acronym from the Bill of Rights Institute for the purpose of each article of the Constitution:

Lazy	Article I-Legislative Branch
Elephants	Article II-Executive Branch
Jump	Article III-Judicial Branch
Slowly	Article IV-States/federalism
And	Article V-Amendment Process
Sleep	Article VI-Supremacy Clause
Regularly	Article VII-Ratification

3. Tell the students that they are to create a new acronym to help them remember the purpose of the seven articles of the Constitution.
4. Each student should share the acronym with the class and if desired, the class can vote on the acronym that would be the best in helping remember the purpose of the seven articles.