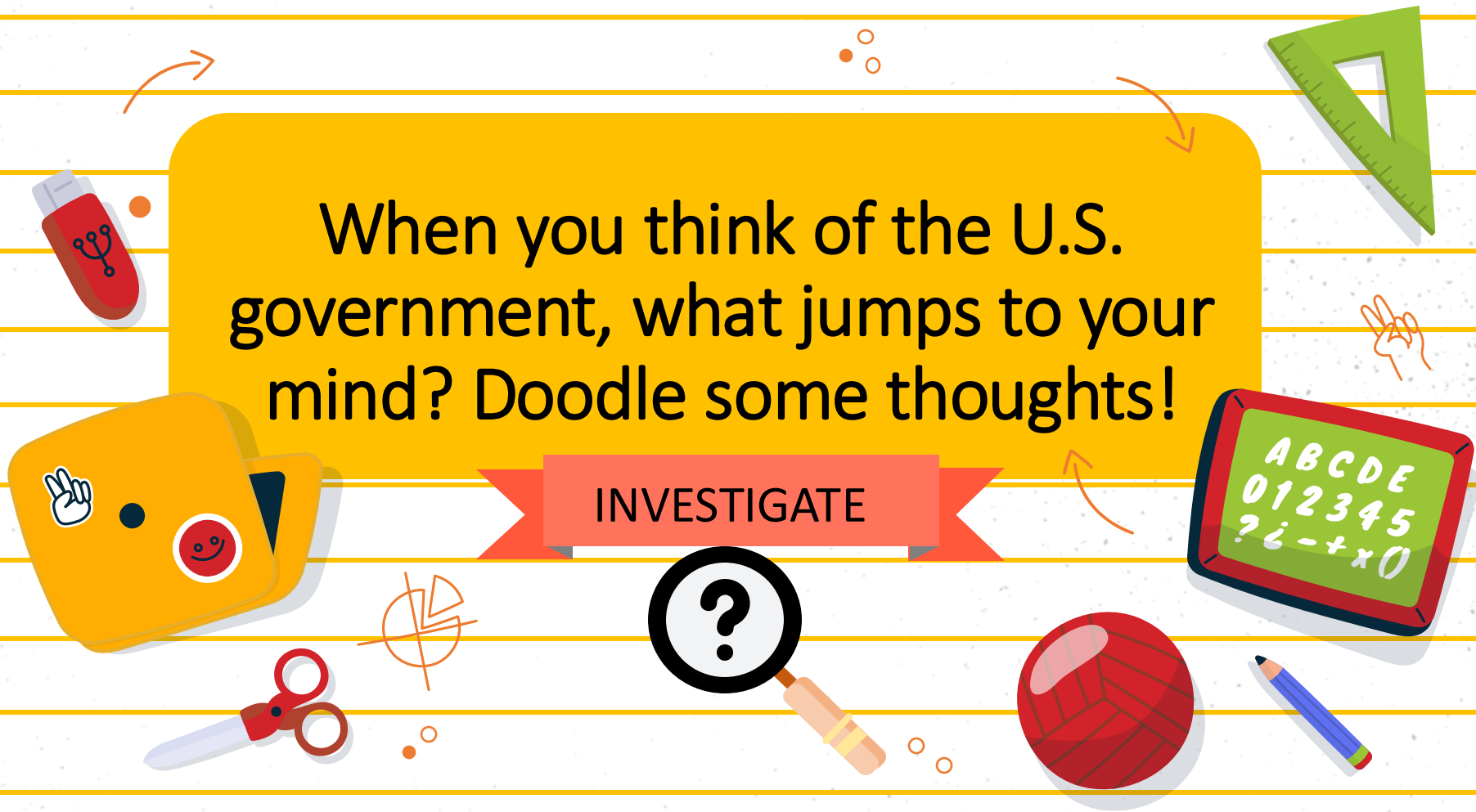


When you think of the U.S.
government, what jumps to your
mind? Doodle some thoughts!

INVESTIGATE



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What Inspired Our Government?



As a Young Political Scientist, I will be able to...

- **Analyze Basic Concepts of Government**
- **Examine Primary Documents that shaped colonial ideas**
- **Compare & Contrast the Different Types of Colonies**

Origins of Constitutional Government

England controls 13 colonies on the east coast of North America

Colonists followed **English Common Law**- A judge made system with English Constitutionalism...

...which was a belief that government leaders are subject to limitations of the law.

Colonists saw a need for some basic concepts of Government...

BASIC CONCEPTS OF GOVERNMENT

Ordered Government- Orderly regulation of laws & relationships with each other.

Limited Government- Government is restricted in what it may do & individual rights

Representative Government- Government serves the will of the people & people should have a voice in government

The Magna Carta

“The Great Charter” signed by King John at Runnymede in 1215

Guaranteed fundamental rights such as...

Trial by Jury & Due Process!

Established that Monarchy’s power is not absolute!

The Petition of Right

Limited the Kings Power, adding onto key concepts set forth by the Magna Carta

1. King could not imprison or punish a person, only a lawful judgement by their peers

2. King cannot impose martial law in times of peace!

3. King had to follow the law of the land!

English Bill of Rights

**William & Mary of Orange ascend to
England throne in the **Glorious
Revolution****

**Parliament created a list of provisions that
said...**

**No standing army in peacetime &
Parliamentary elections are free**

**Right for a fair trial & safety from cruel &
unusual punishment**

The Establishment of Colonies

The Native Americans had the first form of government in America with the Iroquois League

King George II & England begins establishing colonies

Each colony needs a **charter**- Written grant of authority by the King. ---*Define & Sketch*

Charters gave colonists or companies a grant of land & some governing rights

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Royal Colonies

Subject to direct control by the crown

**King names a governor to serve as colony's
chief executive & a council to serve
as an advisory board**

**Property owners elected the council in a
bicameral- a two house legislature**

**Laws had to be approved by governor &
the Crown**

The Proprietary Colonies

Colonies run by a proprietor, a person the King made a grant of land

Maryland to **George Calvert & Lord Baltimore**
Haven for Catholics

Pennsylvania to William Penn

Pennsylvania had a **unicameral**- One house legislature

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Charter Colonies

**Group of people establish colonies to worship
own religion or own ideas**

**Most of them self-governed with a two
house legislature & did not need
approval by the King.**