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Natural Rights Philosophy
Why do we have Government?

Who came up with Natural Rights Philosophy?

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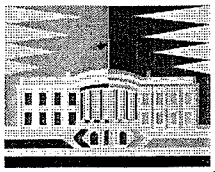
What Question did John Locke try to answer?



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John Locke answered this questions by imagining what it would be like if there was no government. He called this imaginary place

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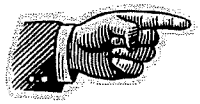
Example: Cavemen surviving in wild



What rights are people born with according to John Locke?

_____ **These were known as**

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So why would people want to create a government?

People realize that a government would _____

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In a State of Nature they are constantly in danger of having their natural rights harmed.

How do people decide to form a government?

The people agree to a _____ – This is where people agree to give up freedoms to have a government. This is not an actual piece of paper that people sign. Instead people agree to the contract by _____

_____.

If they don't agree to the contract they can leave the country or face consequences such as going to jail.

What is the main function of the government according to John Locke?

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Jefferson **How did Natural Rights Philosophy influence our Founding Fathers?**

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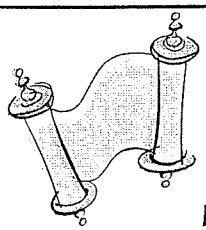

Example: The Constitution protects our Life, Liberty, and property – Amendment One protects some of our most important liberties.

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What is the role of our government?

Based on the concept of the social contract we agree as a community to be governed. But how far should the government go for the people. [redacted]nswer the following questions.

1. When should the government of the United States limit individual rights for the sake of the community as a whole?

2. Do you feel that the American government should provide the following services for the people of the United States? Explain your answers. Also include which Natural Right each of the following deals with. Life, Liberty + Property

   Education:

   Health Care:

   Social Security:

   Welfare:

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3. Are there other services you feel the government should provide?

4. Do you feel that the American Government should regulate the following? Explain how far the government should go to regulate these issues. Also include which Natural Right each of the following deals with. Life, Liberty and property

   Drinking Age:

   Drug Use:

   Smoking:

   Age requirement to Drop out of School:

   Speed Limit:

   Guns:

   Speech: