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## IMPORTANT HISTORIC DOCUMENTS

<b>Name of Document</b>	<b>Year document was written</b>	<b>History of Document (Who wrote it and why) and important clauses in Document (Summary)</b>
Magna Carta (page 29)	1215	Signed in Rummymede between King John and the barons (wealthy land owners). Written because John's taxes were hurting the barons and they wanted protection. <b>Importance:</b> First time a monarch lost power. Included the right to trial by jury and due process of law. King can't randomly take someone's life, liberty and property. Part of the colonist's political heritage. Monarch is NOT an absolute power?
Divine Right Theory vs. John Locke's theories (pages 7-8)		
Petition of Right (page 30)		
English Bill of Rights (page 30)		
Albany Plan (page 35)		

1 <sup>st</sup> and 2 <sup>nd</sup> Continental Congress (page 36-37)		
Declaration of Independence (page 38-39)		

Generalization: Overall, why are these documents important to our political culture?