

Mrs. Hagee
AP US History
Founding Father's Journal Assignment

Directions: You will create a journal with the following eight entries typed.

- ✓ Your journal needs to have a cover that has your name, period, and title on it.
(Title: Founding Father's Journal)
- ✓ Each entry should be no more than one double spaced, 12 font typed page.
- ✓ Each entry should be signed by the founding father who wrote it.
- ✓ Your grade is determined on your ability to step into the character (person) writing each entry and presenting accurate history centered on the topic explained below from his perspective. **Make sure you address the topic clearly.**
- ✓ Your entries should be written in the first person.

Points: 5 points per entry = 40 points

1. Answer as Benjamin Franklin
 - a. Share your hopes and expectation of the Philadelphia meeting and your feeling regarding the newly elected chairman of the meeting, George Washington.
2. Answer as James Madison
 - a. Today a heated debate over a strong central government erupted and tomorrow you will have your turn to speak to the convention. Share how you will convince the other delegates to support your convictions regarding this matter.
3. Answer as George Mason
 - a. Today you are submitting your statement of objections summarizing your argument over the new Constitution. Share your strongest reasons for not signing the Constitution.
4. Answer as Thomas Paine
 - a. You are on diplomatic business abroad and you just received a letter with news that the delegates in Philadelphia have reached a compromise...The Bill of Rights. Share your reaction to this news in your journal.
5. Answer as Alexander Hamilton
 - a. You are the Secretary of Treasury and facing many financial difficulties. Share your frustrations towards Thomas Jefferson and the Anti-Federalists.
6. Answer as Thomas Jefferson
 - a. Tomorrow you meet with President Washington to discuss crisis in Europe between France and Britain. Share what your goals are for this meeting and who you support in this conflict.
7. Answer as George Washington
 - a. Tomorrow you publish your farewell address to the citizens of the United States. Share in this entry your fears and hopes.
8. Answer as John Adams
 - a. Today you became the second President of the United States of America. Share your feeling, concerns, and hopes for your term in office.