|  |
| --- |
| The Preamble  **Music & Lyrics:**Lynn Ahrens  **Performed By:**Lynn Ahrens  **Animation:**Kim & Gifford Productions  **First Aired:**1976 |

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Hey, do you know about the U.S.A.? Do you know about the government? Can you tell me about the Constitution? Hey, learn about the U.S.A.  In 1787 I’m told Our founding fathers did agree To write a list of principles For keeping people free.  The U.S.A. was just starting out A whole brand-new country And so our people spelled it out The things that we should be  *And they put those principles down on paper and called it the Constitution, and it’s been helping us run our country ever since then. The first part of the Constitution is called the preamble and tells what those founding fathers set out to do.*  We the people In order to form **a more perfect union** Establish **justice**, insure **domestic tranquility** Provide for the **common defense** Promote the **general welfare** and Secure the blessings of **liberty** To ourselves and our posterity Do ordain and establish this Constitution  for the United States of America | In 1787 I’m told Our founding fathers all sat down And wrote a list of principles That’s known the world around  The U.S.A. was just starting out A whole brand-new country And so our people spelled it out They wanted a land of liberty  And the Preamble goes like this:  **We the people In order to form a more perfect union Establish justice, insure domestic tranquility Provide for the common defense Promote the general welfare and Secure the blessings of liberty To ourselves and our posterity Do ordain and establish this Constitution**  **for the United States of America**  For the United States of America . . . |