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

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| 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 toldOur founding fathers did agreeTo write a list of principlesFor keeping people free.The U.S.A. was just starting outA whole brand-new countryAnd so our people spelled it outThe 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 peopleIn order to form **a more perfect union**Establish **justice**, insure **domestic tranquility**Provide for the **common defense**Promote the **general welfare** andSecure the blessings of **liberty**To ourselves and our posterityDo ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America | In 1787 I’m toldOur founding fathers all sat downAnd wrote a list of principlesThat’s known the world aroundThe U.S.A. was just starting outA whole brand-new countryAnd so our people spelled it outThey wanted a land of libertyAnd the Preamble goes like this:**We the peopleIn order to form a more perfect unionEstablish justice, insure domestic tranquilityProvide for the common defensePromote the general welfare andSecure the blessings of libertyTo ourselves and our posterityDo ordain and establish this Constitution** **for the United States of America**For the United States of America . . . |