What Principles Would You Include in a Space Constitution?

Your Mission: Create a constitution or define a set of values to govern a settlement in space. Once you’ve developed your idea, cut out the postcard below and draw or write your idea for a space constitution on the blank side. Put your address and a stamp on the front, place it in an envelope and mail it to: Club for the Future / PO Box 5759 / Kent, WA / 98064. Blue Origin will send it to space and back on its New Shepard rocket. The postcard will then get stamped ‘Flown to Space’ and mailed back to you for a special space-flown keepsake.

On the blank side, draw or write your idea for a new constitution to govern a society in space. On this side, write a message, your address, and add a stamp.

We may want to post your artwork online! Have your parent or guardian sign below to grant permission.

Parent/guardian

Parent/guardian (printed)

Place Stamp Here

Your Name

Your Street Address

City, State / Province

Zip Code

Country

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INTRODUCTION
Opportunities for innovation in the space economy are increasing rapidly. As technology advances, the idea of millions of people living and working in space is inching closer to reality. As the human race starts to expand into space, the Moon, and beyond, we need to start thinking about a set of values to govern this expansion so that everyone has equal opportunity.

LEARNING OBJECTIVE
Create a constitution to govern a human population living and working in space.

INSTRUCTIONS
• Brainstorm ideas for values that would help govern people living and working in space with fairness and equity.
• Write or draw the principles governing a society living and working in space on a postcard or index card.
• Present your constitution to the class.
• Send postcard to Club for the Future where it will be sent to space and back on a Blue Origin New Shepard rocket.
• Tune in to watch the rocket launch event.

LESSON EXTENSION
• Research current technology being used to help accomplish the goal of humans living and working in space.
• Research different types of civics and ethics jobs related to space.

STANDARDS
CCSS.ELA-Literacy.SL.6.5
Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas:
Include multimedia components (e.g., graphics, images, music, sound) and visual displays in presentations to clarify information.

ISTE
3a - Students plan and employ effective research strategies to locate information and other resources for their intellectual or creative pursuits.

REFLECTION
• Ask students to present their summary of a space constitution that will help govern people living and working in space.
• As students share their ideas, guide them to reach consensus on a space constitution that incorporates key ideas from the whole class.
POSTCARD INSTRUCTIONS

SEND A POSTCARD TO SPACE

Club for the Future is asking students around the world to send postcards with their dreams of the future and vision for life in space. Once you have your idea based on the prompt in the lesson plan, draw or write your idea on a postcard and mail it to the Club using the instructions below. The Club will launch your postcard to space and back on a Blue Origin New Shepard rocket. Upon your postcard’s return from space, it will be stamped “Flown to Space,” then mailed back to you as a special space-flown keepsake.

ADDRESSING YOUR POSTCARD TO SPACE (AND BACK)

1. USE A 4x6” (10x15cm) POSTCARD, NOTECARD OR DOWNLOAD AND PRINT THE TEMPLATE.

2. ON ONE SIDE, DRAW OR WRITE YOUR IDEA FROM THE LESSON PLAN PROMPT.

3. ON THE OTHER SIDE, WRITE YOUR RETURN ADDRESS AND ADD A STAMP.

4. CLUB FOR THE FUTURE
   PO BOX 5759
   KENT, WA 98064 U.S.A.

   PLACE THE POSTCARD IN A STAMPED ENVELOPE ADDRESSED TO CLUB FOR THE FUTURE. IF YOU HAVE MULTIPLE POSTCARDS, PLACE THEM IN A LARGE ENVELOPE OR BOX AND MAIL THEM TO THE CLUB IN BULK.

5. DROP THE ENVELOPE IN THE MAIL. THE CLUB WILL LAUNCH IT TO SPACE ON A BLUE ORIGIN NEW SHEPARD ROCKET AND RETURN IT TO YOU!

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