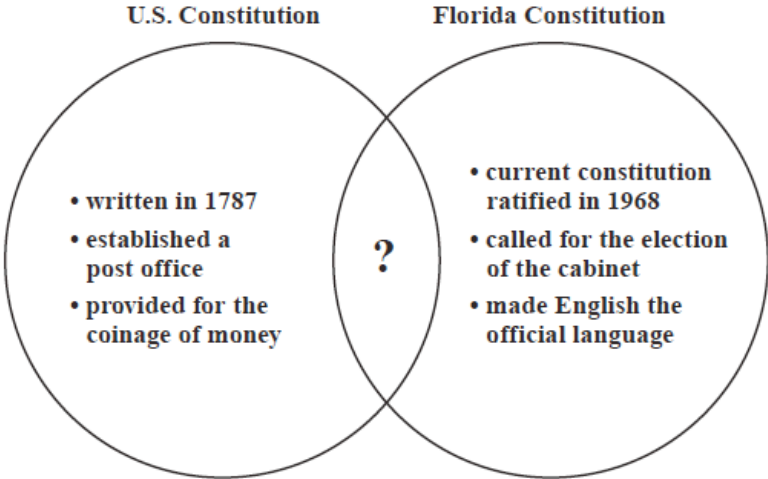


### SS.7.C.3.13 Low Level of Complexity Sample Item Explanation

Question	Which part of the Florida Constitution protects individual rights?	The correct response should identify the section of Florida's Constitution that safeguards the basic individual rights of all Floridians.
A	Declaration of Rights	<b>Correct</b> – The Declaration of Rights is the part of the Florida Constitution that protects the basic individual rights of all Floridians.
B	Bill of Rights	<b>Incorrect</b> – The Bill of Rights is the first ten amendments to the U.S. Constitution.
C	Amendments	<b>Incorrect</b> – Amendments are changes to the Florida Constitution that do not just protect individual rights. Amendments address many different issues.
D	Preamble	<b>Incorrect</b> – The Preamble is the introduction to Florida Constitution. It describes the purposes of the state government.




### SS.7.C.3.13 Moderate Level of Complexity Sample Item Explanation

Question	<p>The Venn diagram below compares some features of the U.S. and Florida constitutions.</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <p>Which feature completes the Venn diagram?</p>		<p>The diagram compares the basic characteristics of the U.S. Constitution and the Florida Constitution.</p> <p>The correct answer should replace the question mark with a feature common to both constitutions.</p>
A	created property taxes	<b>Incorrect</b> – The U.S. Constitution did not create property taxes. This is not an enumerated power of Congress found in Article I.	
B	established a zoning board	<b>Incorrect</b> – The U.S. Constitution did not establish zoning boards while the Florida Constitution reserves that power to local governments.	
C	required a balanced budget	<b>Incorrect</b> – The U.S. Constitution does not require a balanced federal budget.	
D	guaranteed individual freedoms	<b>Correct</b> – The Bill of Rights in the U.S. Constitution and the Declaration of Rights in the Florida Constitution both guarantee basic freedoms and individual liberties.	



## SS.7.C.3.13 High Level of Complexity Sample Item Explanation

Question	<p>The headline below describes an action by citizens.</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <p>What conclusion can be drawn from the headline?</p>	<p>Read the headline about the Florida state constitution.</p> <p>The correct response should describe an appropriate conclusion that is based on the evidence in the headline.</p>
A	Citizens can be involved in policy making through their representatives.	<b>Incorrect</b> – The headline does not support this response. Voters directly rejected the tax amendment by popular vote and not through their representatives.
B	Citizens can be directly involved in policy making.	<b>Correct</b> – The headline supports this response because Florida citizens directly voted against the tax amendment. The Florida state constitution can be amended by popular vote. Amendments to a constitution are a form of policy.
C	Only elected officials may change constitutions.	<b>Incorrect</b> – The headline does not support this response. Florida citizens voted against the tax amendment which shows that individual citizens can change the state constitution.
D	Only elected officials make policy.	<b>Incorrect</b> – The headline does not support this response. Voters directly rejected the tax amendment which shows that elected officials did not make this policy.

