## Write Your Own Declaration

The definition of a declaration:

- 1. The act of declaring; announcement
- 2. A positive, explicit, or formal statement; proclamation
- 3. Something that is announced, avowed, or proclaimed
- 4. A document embodying or displaying an announcement or proclamation.

Why did the colonists write a Declaration of Independence?

The Declaration of Independence included three parts:

- 1. A statement of rights and the purpose of government
- 2. A list of grievances against the British King
- 3. A declaration of independence from England

Write your own personal declaration.

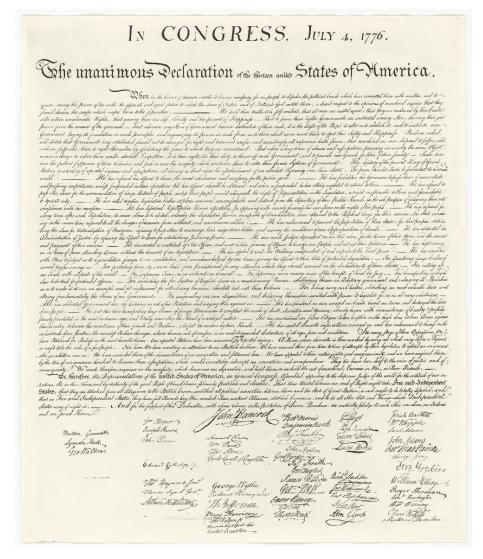
What is important to you? What would you proclaim or announce?

You can also write a declaration to someone important to you— what do you promise to do for them?

Samuel Chase, Non Pacas Tho! Stones







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