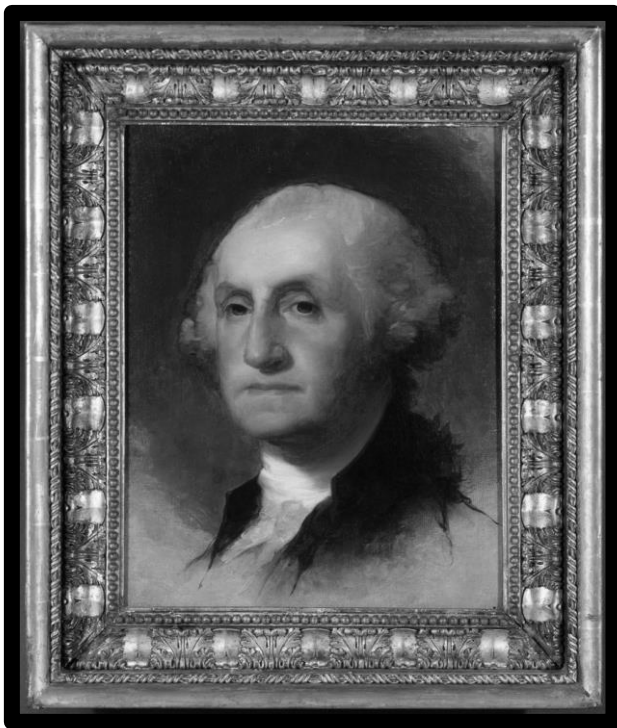




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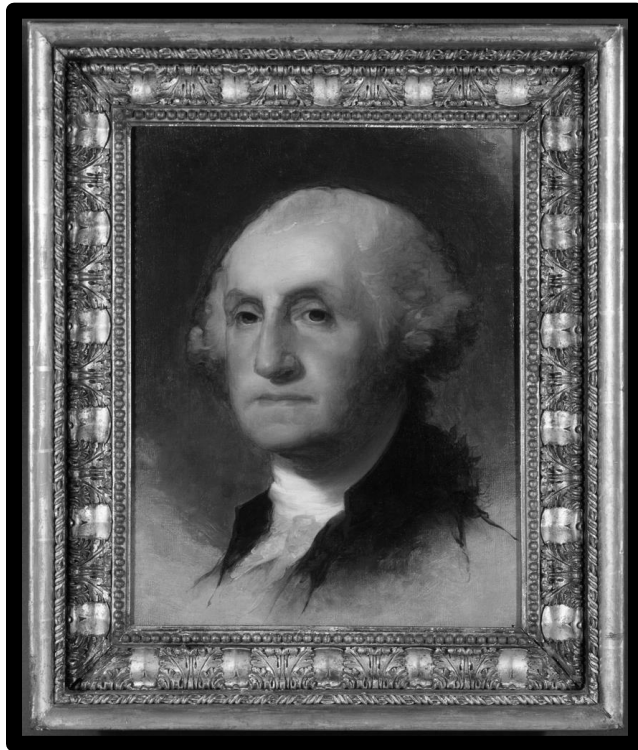
# George Washington



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**George Washington** was a famous American leader. He was born in Virginia on February 22, 1732.



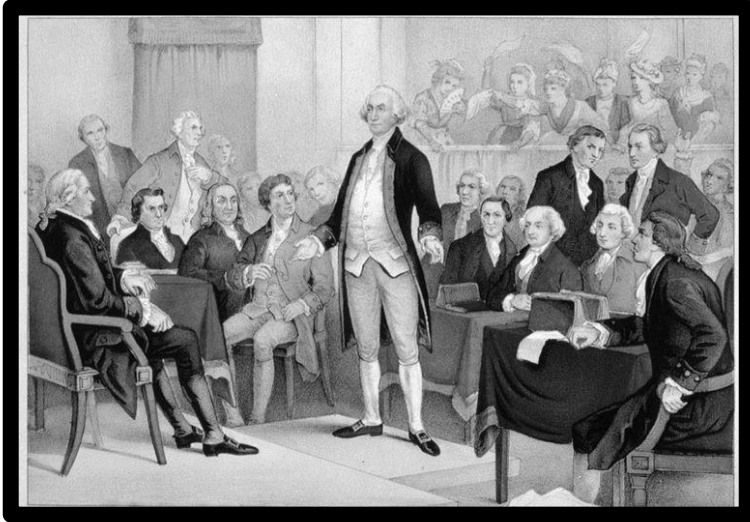
George and Martha Washington had a fancy home in Virginia. It was called **Mount Vernon**. They were very wealthy plantation owners.



Washington was the leader of the U.S. military during the American Revolution.



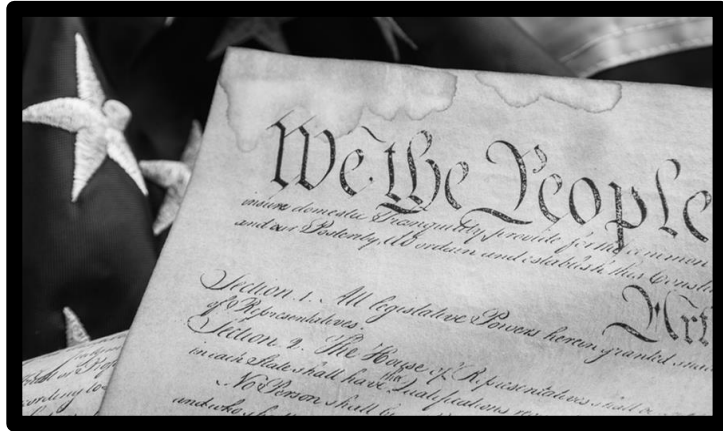
The American Revolution was a war with Great Britain. The United States won the war. The United States was a new country.



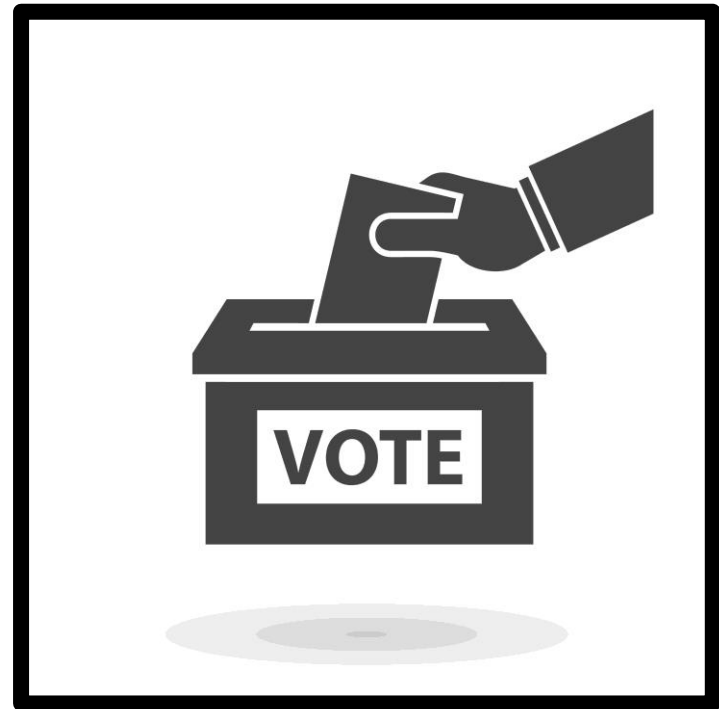
The United States needed a new government. The new government was made at the **Constitutional Convention meetings**. George Washington was in charge.



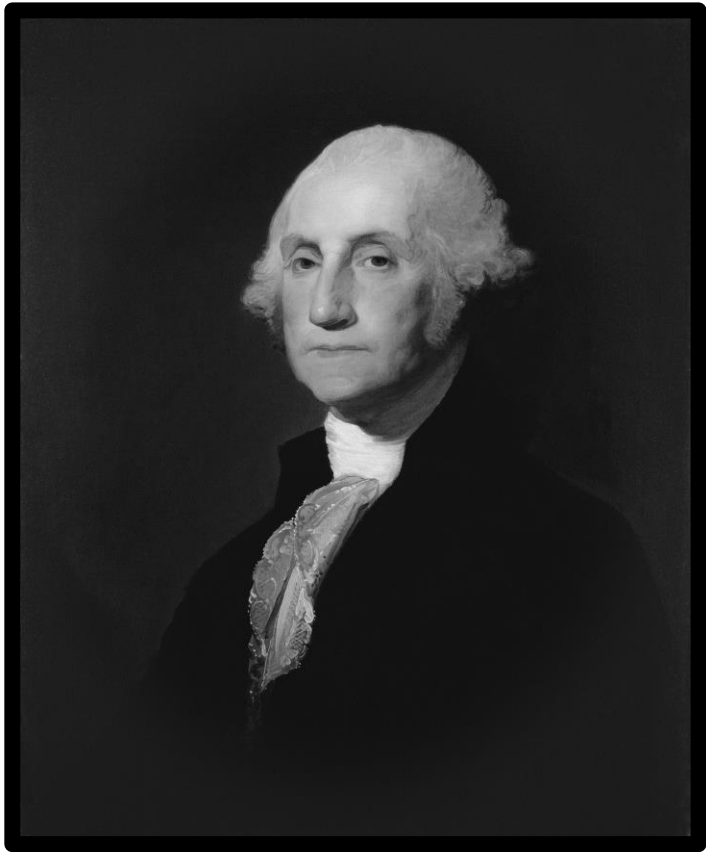
A group of important men went to the **Constitutional Convention meetings**. Those men are called the **Founding Fathers**.



The Founding Fathers wrote down the government plan. That plan is called the **Constitution**. They made the plan fair for all of the states.



The Constitution said that the leader of the U.S. would be the president. The people would **vote** for the president.



The U.S. had an election to vote for the president. The people voted for George Washington. He was the first president of the U.S.



George Washington's face is on some of the U.S. money. His face is on the quarter. It is also on the one-dollar bill.



George Washington is called the **Father of our Country**. He was the first president. He was an important leader in American history. He died on December 14, 1799.



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