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**DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE ANALYSIS**

**Part I – Read the second paragraph of the Declaration of Independence and determine the meaning of each of the following phrases.**

1. “truths to be self-evident” –
2. “endowed by their creator with certain unalienable rights” –
3. “pursuit of happiness” –
4. “to secure these rights” –
5. “deriving their just powers” –
6. “the consent of the governed” –

**Part II – Answer the following questions concerning the entire Declaration of Independence.**

1. Before the colonists separated from England, they felt they had to do what to gain the respect of other countries?
2. What basic rights to all people have according to the document?
3. What is the main purpose of government?
4. When do people have a right to change their government?
5. How did Jefferson express the grievances of the colonists? Be specific.
6. How effectively does the Declaration justify rebellion? Be specific.
7. How does this information help you understand the topic of the Founders’ view on slavery?
8. What ideas or principles do you see in common the DOI and John Locke’s ideas?