

Stranded on Jurassic Island

Your group has been involved in a plane crash in the Pacific Ocean, and miraculously you have all survived and made it safely to Jurassic Island, which is a deserted tropical island inhabited by dinosaurs! Jurassic Island also has an ample supply of tropical fruits, and protein (fish, dinosaurs) to eat. However, there is no metal available except for debris from the plane crash, and all housing and tools must be made from trees, rocks, etc. In order to survive your group must:

- 1. Come up with a mission / vision for living on the island**
- 2. Create different roles for each group member to fulfill. Structure of leadership / way to make decisions**
- 3. Devise a plan of action for keeping the group alive on the island that includes rules for the group to follow.**

Please include:

- 1. Positions - that fulfill the needs of the group**
- 2. Methods - to establish and maintain survival**
- 3. Principles - of maintaining law and order**

Write a Preamble (introduction) that describes the philosophy and function of your group's government.

Extension Questions:

1. Think about the ideas of “classical republicanism” (putting society’s needs above individual ones) versus “natural rights philosophy” (everyone has rights to life, liberty, pursuit of happiness or property). Which is more important to your society?
2. Read the [Preamble of the US Constitution](#), and compare your society’s to that of the US. How are they the same? How are they different?
3. Is it necessary to have a written constitution? Why / why not?