



## **Sixth Grade Civics Class Inquiry-Based Assessment Questions**

**Theme:** Foundations of Government

**Standards covered:** 6.3

Many English government philosophies were carried over to the newly formed American government. How did limits on the English monarch affect the shaping of the American government?

- What English documents influenced American Founders when it came to the idea of limited government? How so?
- Why is it important to have limits on the government?

Sample Follow Up Questions

- Where do we see the idea of limited government in American founding documents?
- Has the government ever overreached its limitations on policy? If so, how so? If not, what were the guardrails that prevented that?
- What was the most important idea within the Magna Carta, Petition of Right, or English Bill of Right? Why?