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## Review: We the People: The Story of our Constitution

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**Cheney, Lynne, *We the People: The Story of our Constitution*. Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, 2008 ISBN: 9781416954187 (Ages 5-8)**

**Description:**

In these days of instant communication and fast travel, few Americans have an understanding of the sacrifice and real life drama behind the establishment of our nation's governmental system. Lynn Cheney's book *We the People: The Story of our Constitution* gives a glimpse into these issues while presenting the saga of the writing of our founding document in language easily understood by primary children. Cheney takes readers from the end of the Revolutionary War through the signing of the Constitution, introducing the major players involved in its creation. Each page includes a relevant quote from one of these men.

**Critique:**

Cheney has created an excellent introduction to the creation of this important document in our nation's history. In a few short paragraphs, she effectively conveys not only the facts, but the emotions behind the issues facing our young nation. The dramatic paintings by Greg Harlin dominate the pages and accentuate the human side of this historic time. This title is best to read in a group setting or with an adult.