

The unanimous Declaration of the thirteen united States of America

vs.

A HIGH SCHOOL BREAK-UP LETTER

<p>Preamble: the reasons for writing the letter</p>	<p>When in the Course of human events, it becomes necessary for one people to dissolve the political bands which have connected them with another, and to assume among the powers of the earth, the separate and equal station to which the Laws of Nature and of Nature's God entitle them, a decent respect to the opinions of mankind requires that they should declare the causes which impel them to the separation.</p> <p>We have known each other for years now. Things used to be so great – it was like we were MFEQ. I mean everyone said it was perfect. I really thought we would be together forever, but things just aren't working for me.</p>
<p>Statement of beliefs: specifying what you believe</p>	<p>We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness.</p> <p>That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed. That whenever any Form of Government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the Right of the People to alter or to abolish it, and to institute new Government, laying its foundation on such principles and organizing its powers in such form, as to them shall seem most likely to effect their Safety and Happiness. . . .</p> <p>Such has been the patient sufferance of these Colonies; and such is now the necessity which constrains them to alter their former Systems of Government. The history of the present King of Great Britain is a history of repeated injuries and usurpations, all having in direct object the establishment of an absolute Tyranny over these States. To prove this, let Facts be submitted to a candid world.</p> <p>We are supposed to be in this relationship together, but sometimes I feel like you don't listen to me. That really hurts my feelings. I think that you should listen to my feelings, ask me how I'm doing, and tell me you love me every day. I just really feel like you've been doing a lot of things that are not very nice. If you don't know what they are, I'll tell you.</p>
<p>List of complaints: the offenses that impelled the declaration</p>	<p>He has dissolved Representative Houses repeatedly, for opposing with manly firmness his invasions on the rights of the people.</p> <p>He has made Judges dependent on his Will alone, for the tenure of their offices, and the amount and payment of their salaries.</p> <p>He has erected a multitude of New Offices, and sent hither swarms of Officers to harass our people . . .</p> <p>He has kept among us, in times of peace, Standing Armies without the Consent of our legislatures.</p> <p>For cutting off our Trade with all parts of the world:</p> <p>For imposing Taxes on us without our Consent:</p> <p>For depriving us in many cases, of the benefits of Trial by Jury:</p> <p>For transporting us beyond Seas to be tried for pretended offences</p> <p>For taking away our Charters, abolishing our most valuable Laws, and altering fundamentally the Forms of our Governments:</p> <p>He has plundered our seas, ravaged our Coasts, burnt our towns, and destroyed the lives of our people.</p> <p>You don't tell me how you're feeling. You said something mean to your friends about me. You lied about where you were. You hardly ever listen to my side of a story. Your friends are more important to you than I am. You don't think my jokes are funny. Sometimes I feel like you're using me. You didn't notice my new haircut and outfit. You bring me down.</p>
<p>Statement of prior attempts to redress grievances: explains that one party has complained many times to the other party involved</p>	<p>In every stage of these Oppressions We have Petitioned for Redress in the most humble terms: Our repeated Petitions have been answered only by repeated injury. A Prince whose character is thus marked by every act which may define a Tyrant, is unfit to be the ruler of a free people.</p> <p>Nor have We been wanting in attentions to our British brethren. We have warned them from time to time of attempts by their legislature to extend an unwarrantable jurisdiction over us. We have reminded them of the circumstances of our emigration and settlement here. We have appealed to their native justice and magnanimity, and we have conjured them by the ties of our common kindred to disavow these usurpations, which, would inevitably interrupt our connections and correspondence. They too have been deaf to the voice of justice and of consanguinity. We must, therefore, acquiesce in the necessity, which denounces our Separation, and hold them, as we hold the rest of mankind, Enemies in War, in Peace Friends.</p> <p>I have told you over and over that I hate it when you do all those things and you never do anything to change. It just seems like I am annoying you when I tell you how I feel.</p>
<p>Declaration of independence: explains what will change as a result of the declaration</p>	<p>We, therefore, the Representatives of the united States of America, in General Congress, Assembled, appealing to the Supreme Judge of the world for the rectitude of our intentions, do, in the Name, and by Authority of the good People of these Colonies, solemnly publish and declare, That these United Colonies are, and of Right ought to be Free and Independent States; that they are Absolved from all Allegiance to the British Crown, and that all political connection between them and the State of Great Britain, is and ought to be totally dissolved; and that as Free and Independent States, they have full Power to levy War, conclude Peace, contract Alliances, establish Commerce, and to do all other Acts and Things which Independent States may of right do.-- And for the support of this Declaration, with a firm reliance on the protection of divine Providence, we mutually pledge to each other our Lives, our Fortunes and our sacred Honor.</p> <p>I think that it would be better for both of us if we broke up. I have made my decision, so from now on please do not try to call me or text me. It will be better for us if we are alone and can spend more time on school and our own lives.</p>