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**Petition to King George III**

**Sophisticated Language:**

* **Use the list of grievances (complaints) that you have listed in your social studies notebook.**
* **Include “judgment” words. (Opinion words.)**
* **Include persuasive words.**
* **Include words that are respectful of the King (we are trying to win him over).**
* **Include strong “colonial” words.**
* **What other words could you use from the text (the original petition to King George)?**
* **List all of the words you plan to use.**

**Introduction:**

* In the center of the parchment paper be sure to add the name of the meeting, the place where the meeting took place, and the date of the petition (month and year).
* What will your greeting sound like?
* Example: To the King’s Most Excellent Majesty, Most Gracious Sovereign!

Purpose:

* TO HUMBLY ASK FOR OUR RIGHTS TO BE RESPECTED
* TO HUMBLY ASK FOR RELIEF TO OUR SUFFERING
* LAST CHANCE TO AVOID WAR

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**Claim:**

* Example: We your majesty’s faithful subjects of the colonies, by this our humble petition beg leave to lay our grievances before the throne.

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| **Grievance #3:** |
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**Conclusion:**

* Be sure that your conclusion ties up the important points in your petition.
* Be sure that the conclusion does NOT add any new information.
* Be sure to add the date of when we would like a response from the King.
* Example: We therefore most earnestly beseech your majesty that your royal authority and interposition may be used for our relief, and that a gracious answer may be given to this petition.

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