

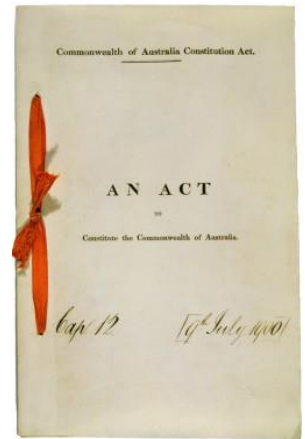
The Australian Constitution

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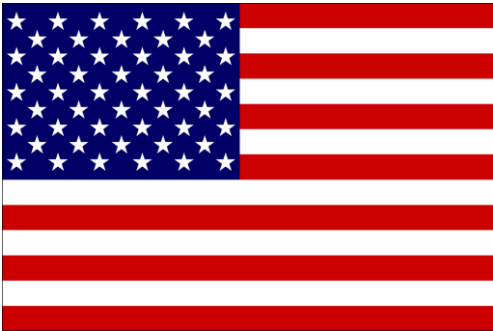
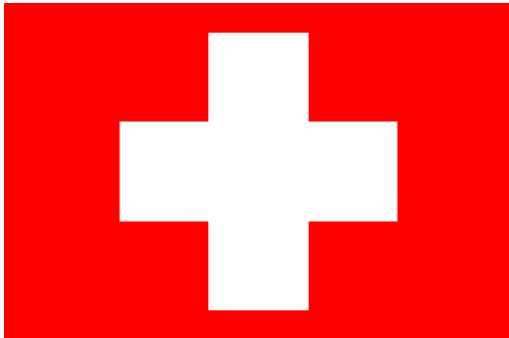
1. Fill in the blanks:

state	powers	1901	important
arms	structure	Federation	executive

This document is Australia's most **important** law. It sets up the **structure** of the three **arms** of government: the legislature (Parliament), **executive** and judicature (court system). It allocates **powers** to the federal parliament and manages the relationships between the federal and **state** parliaments. It came into effect on 1st January, **1901** (the same day as the **Federation** of Australia).



2. The Australian Constitution has been influenced by other international constitutions. Complete the table below by researching how these 3 countries have influenced the content of the Australian Constitution.

Country	Influenced how
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Head of State (monarch/Governor General) • Lower House (House of Representatives) • Executive (Ministers of state)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Upper House (Senate) • Judiciary (High Court) • Federalism (Federal/State powers)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alteration (changing the Constitution through referendum)