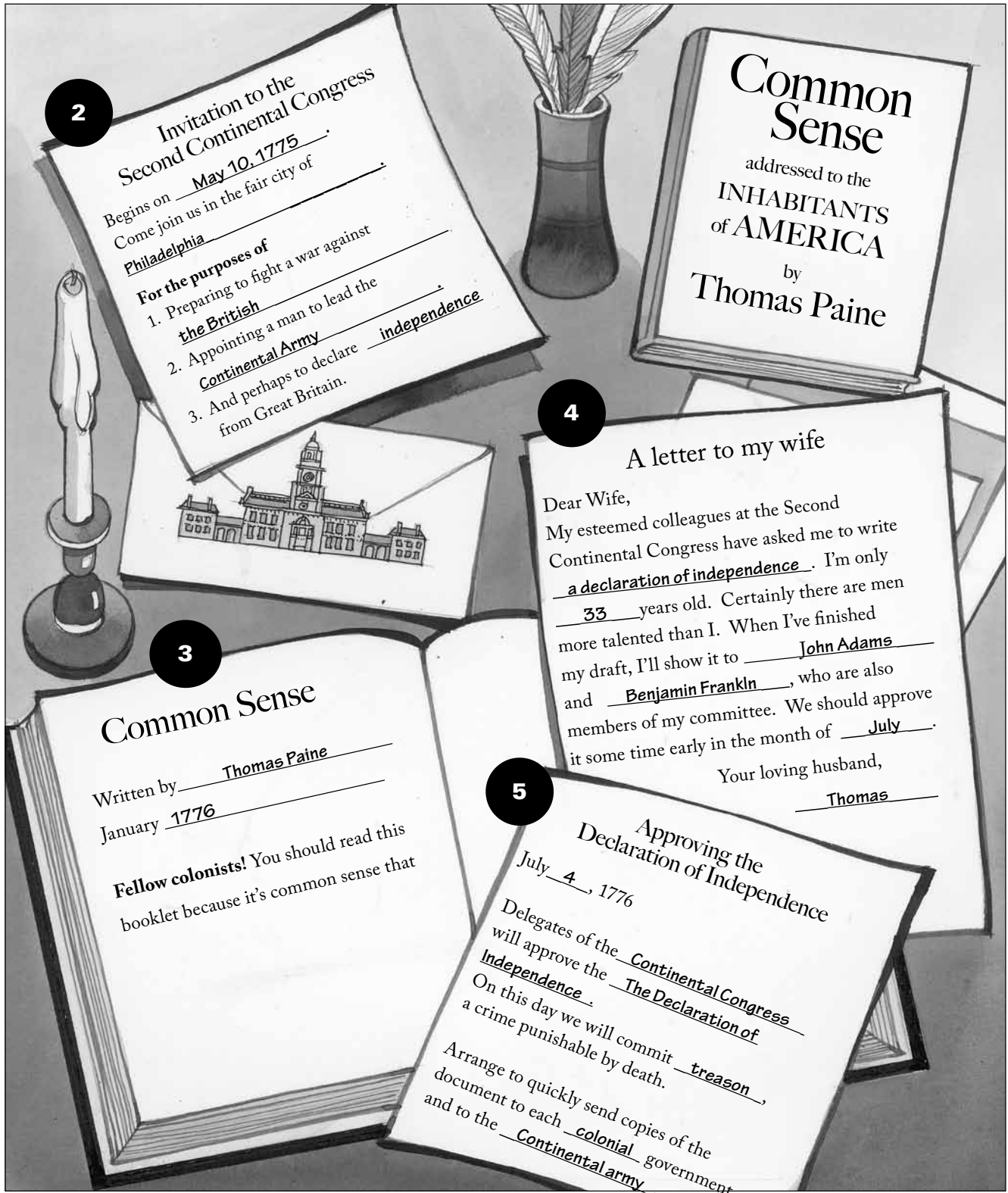


Use your book to complete notes on the objects below.



In the space below, rewrite the five excerpts of the Declaration of Independence in simpler language.

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The Declaration of Independence

Sample answers:

1. When people break away from a country to form their own nation, they should explain why they are doing it.
2. We think these ideas are obvious. All people are equal and they have rights that cannot be taken away, such as the right to freedom and the right to live a happy life.
3. Governments are formed to protect people's rights. People give the government its power. If the government is not protecting their rights, people can change the government.
4. Great Britain has repeatedly interfered with the rights of the colonists, and it has ruled the American colonies unfairly. We present these facts to prove our arguments to the world.
5. We are now an independent nation. The colonies are no longer loyal to the British king and all connections between Great Britain and us have ended.

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