MARTHA WASHINGTON'S LETTER ABOUT THE PRESIDENCY

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	My Dear John	Mount Vernon. April the 20th 1789		
•	I am truly sorry to tell that the General is gone to New York, - Mr. Charles Thompson came express to him, on the 14 th – when, or wheather he will come home again god only knows, - I think it was much too late for him to go to publick life again, but it was not to be avoided, our family will be deranged as I must soon follow him.			
•	I am greved at parting, and sorry to part with your sister as well as the rest of the family, - I expect to set out the middle of may the same Horses that carred the General is to return for me to carry me to New York -			
)	My love and good wishes to your mother grandmother Brothers and sisters and believe me Dear			
		John your most affectionate Aunt M Washington		
	Background: John refers to John Dandridge Source: "Worthy Partner" The Papers of Martha Washington, pg. 213			
	1. What type of source is this and when was it created?			
	2. What is the relationship between the author and the recipient?			
	3. On line 2, Mrs. Washington refers to "the General". To whom is she referring?			
	Underline evidence in the text to supp	ort your answer.		
	4. Reread this sentence from the text:			
	I think it was much too late for him to go to publick life again, but it was not to be avoided, our family will be deranged as I must soon follow him.			
	What does Mrs. Washington mean when	she uses the phrase publick life again?		

Based on the context of the sentence, what is the most precise meaning of the word deranged?		
a. crazed	b. upset	
d. in confusion	d. insane	
Mrs. Washington states, "I must soon follow him to support your answer.	n." Where is she going? Provide evidence from the text	
Rewrite the sentence in your own words:		

5. Circle the three words or phrases from the text which are the most important to understanding the

author's tone of the text? Explain your choices using evidence from the text.