

AP US Government--Unit 1--AP Exam Study Guide

Chapters 1-4: The Political Landscape, The Constitution, Federalism, State/Local Government

Directions: Answer the following questions in preparation for your diagnostic quiz on _____. Any answer that does not immediately come to mind should be researched, and written in your journal or notebook.

1. Identify the shortcomings of the national government under the Articles of Confederation. Explain how the Constitution corrected each problem.
2. Describe the ideas of the Enlightenment and how concepts such as limited government, separation of powers, federalism, and checks and balances became key parts of the Constitution.

Identifications

Identify and explain the importance (related to US Government) of each of the following:

Antifederalists	<i>Marbury v. Madison</i>
Articles of Confederation	<i>McCulloch v. Maryland</i>
Bill of Rights	New Jersey Plan
block grants	nullification
categorical grants	police power
checks and balances	political culture
coalition	political ideology
Confederation vs Federation	popular sovereignty
Constitutional Convention	privileges and immunities
devolution	progressive vs regressive taxes
direct (participatory) democracy	recall
dual federalism	referendum
elections (including non-partisan; district-based; at-large; primary; general)	reserved powers
enumerated powers	revenue sharing
faction	Second Continental Congress
federalism (including dual-; cooperative-)	separation of powers
<i>Federalist Papers (especially #10)</i>	Shays's Rebellion
Federalists	social contract (theory)
First Continental Congress	sovereignty
Full faith and credit clause	supremacy clause
grants-in-aid	Three-fifths Compromise
Great Compromise	unalienable rights
Thomas Hobbes	unfunded mandates
Implied powers	Virginia Plan
initiative	John Locke
mandates	limited government