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STUDY GUIDE - Articles of Confederation, Constitutional Convention and Ratification

Describes the purposes of the Articles of Confederation.

Articles of Confederation -

Who held the most power?

How many votes did each state have?

What was a super majority?

How many votes did it take to pass a law?

How many votes did it take to amend or change the Articles?

What was considered a strength of the Articles of Confederation?

What problems were created?

Describe the Land Ordinance of 1785

Describe the Northwest Ordinance of 1787.

What was Shays' Rebellion? What did this event make everyone realize?

Constitutional Convention –

When and where was the convention held?

What was the reason for holding the convention?

What state did not attend?

What are the Virginia Plan and the New Jersey Plan? What was the main difference?

What was created in the Connecticut Plan? What is it more commonly called?

What was the 3/5ths Compromise? What issue did this compromise solve (think taxation and representation)?

Know who the following individuals are and what they did during the Constitutional Convention / ratification process.

Patrick Henry –

Alexander Hamilton –

James Madison –

George Mason –

George Washington –

Ratifying the Constitution

What was the purpose of a state convention?

How many states had to ratify the Constitution to make it go into effect?

Why were Massachusetts, Virginia, and New York important states?

Explain the difference between the Federalist and Antifederalist.

What are the *Federalist Papers*? Who wrote the papers? Why?