



U.S. Government

Crash Course: The Constitution

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Directions: Watch the Crash Course US History Episode on the formation of the constitution (#8 - The Constitution, the Articles, and Federalism) and answer the thought questions below.

Thought Questions:

1. What were the problems with the Articles of Confederation?
2. Why was the inability to collect taxes such a huge issue?
3. What was the purpose of creating a new constitution?
4. What were the conflicts that came up while creating a new constitution? What compromises did they come up with to solve the issues?
5. What other principles, besides the fear of tyranny, did the framers integrate into the creation of the constitution? How were these principles integrated into the US Government.
6. What protections were put into the constitution against the "masses"?

7. What were the Federalist Papers?

8. What were the arguments of the Anti-Federalists?

9. Despite all of its flaw, theorize why the constitution has stood as the official law of the land for so long without being completely changed.