Chapter 3

The Establishment of the US Constitution

Watch these videos:

Crash Course Episode 8:

<https://youtu.be/bO7FQsCcbD8?list=PL8dPuuaLjXtMwmepBjTSG593eG7ObzO7s>

Online Textbook: <http://www.ushistory.org/us/index.asp>

Read 14a, 14b, 14c, 14d

Read 15a, 15b, 15c, 15d

Read 16a, 16b, 16c, 16d, 16e

Answer the following questions as thoroughly as you can. You are expected to use the resource(s) above and research on your own to find the answers. If you have any questions about the material, you may come by during my plan period and I can help you with finding the information. And as always, make sure you write very through responses and absolutely do not plagiarize *(plagiarism will result in a zero on the assignment and an office write-up).*

When you submit your work, you will submit it on campus DO NOT paste the questions below with your answers. Simply, write your answers.

1. Make a list explaining why the Articles of the Confederation (America’s first government) failed. (5 points)
2. The US Constitution established a new form of government that had 3 Branches. Below is a partially filled chart, fill in the three branches, the primary purpose of each branch, and the institutions of government in them (5 points)

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| **Branch** | **Purpose** | **Institutions** |
| Executive Branch |  |  |
|  | Create Laws |  |
|  |  | The Supreme Court |

1. One way to look at the events that unfolded at the Constitutional Convention, was a large series of compromises that settled arguments between different factions of people in the colonies. Once those factions were appeased, adopting the US Constitution was possible. Below is an incomplete chart, fill in the missing information. (5 points)

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| **Conflicting Sides**  **(X vs. Y)** | **Explanation of the Conflict** | **The Conflict’s Resolution** |
| Large States vs. Small States |  |  |
|  |  | 3/5 Compromise |
|  | Some people were afraid that the government would become to powerful and take over the rights and lives of its citizens, while others feared if the government wasn’t strong enough, it would just repeat the mistakes made in the Articles of the Confederation |  |

1. “Tyranny of the Government” is a simple enough concept to understand, but our founding fathers also feared “Tyranny of the People” (aka Mob Rule). Explain “Tyranny of the People” and give an example of when this has or could occur. (6 points)

Root, Fact, and Impact for these words: (3 points each / 27 points total)

* Root – Where does the word come from, what is its source in time and place of history?
* Fact – What is one piece of information about the word? Or write its definition in your own words
* Impact – Why is the word important?

The Federalist Papers

Root:

Fact:

Impact:

Checks and Balances

Root:

Fact:

Impact:

Virginia Plan

Root:

Fact:

Impact:

The Great Compromise

Root:

Fact:

Impact:

Federalist vs. Anti-Federalists

Root:

Fact:

Impact:

Bill of Rights

Root:

Fact:

Impact:

Democratic Republican vs. Federalists

Root:

Fact:

Impact:

Marbury v. Madison

Root:

Fact:

Impact:

Louisiana Purchase

Root:

Fact:

Impact: