

Mr. Beard American Gov. and Economic System Unit 1	<p>Grade Level State Indicators Covered:</p> <p>5. As the supreme law of the land, the U.S. Constitution incorporates basic principles that help define the government of the United States as a federal republic including its structure, powers and relationship with the governed.</p>
<p>Content/Concepts:</p> <p>Articles of Confederation Federalism Federalists Anti-federalists Separation of powers Enlightenment ideas</p>	<p>6. The Federalist Papers and the Anti-Federalist Papers framed the national debate over the basic principles of government encompassed by the Constitution of the United States.</p> <p>8. The Bill of Rights was drafted in response to the national debate over the ratification of the Constitution of the United States.</p>
<p>Skills: Expository reading, interpreting primary sources, expository writing</p>	<p>Critical Questions:</p> <p>What was not working for the Americans in the Articles of Confederation? Why were they created to be so weak? What were the major arguments of the federalists and anti-federalists?</p> <p>What compromises or concessions were made so the Constitution could be passed?</p> <p>Where did the Framers get the ideas for the system of government created in the Constitution?</p>
<p>Assessments: homework on primary sources (federalist and anti-federalist papers), analysis of primary documents from LOC/National Archives, writing assignments, test</p>	