Chapter 6 Quiz

- 1. Most new state constitution after the American Revolution
 - A. Strengthened the power of the governors.
 - B. Weakened the power of the legislature.
 - C. Avoided the creation of written constitution.
 - D. Included Declaration of Rights.
 - E. Affirmed the freedom of speech and press but not of religion.
- 2. How many states did not have to draft new constitutions, since they already had republican governments as part of their colonial charters?
 - A. None
 - B. One
 - C. Two
 - D. Three
 - E. Four
- 3. The articles of Confederation.
 - A. Gave too much power to the central government
 - B. Provided for stat representation by population.
 - C. Jealously guarded state sovereignty at the expense of national power.
 - D. Created a power presidency.
 - E. Changed little from first draft to final document.
- 4. Which of the following was NOT a criticism of American government under the Articles of Confederation.
 - A. That it failed to deal with the nation's economic problems
 - B. That it gave too much power to a central government
 - C. That it failed to adequately confront threats from Britain and Spain along U.S. borders
 - D. That it was unable to deal with the country's fiscal instability
 - E. That its single legislative body gave some states an unfair advantage
- 5. the most brilliant American political theorist of the postORevolutionary period was
 - A. James Madison
 - B. George Washington.
 - C. John Locke.
 - D. John Adams.
 - E. Thomas Jefferson.

- 6. Shays' Rebellion involved
 - A. Discontented New England merchants.
 - B. Western settlers demanding Indian Territory.
 - C. Supporters of freer trade with Great Britain.
 - D. Discontented farmers in Massachusetts.
 - E. Continental Army officers who had been denied their pensions.
- 7. The plan proposed by William Paterson
 - A. Gave too much power to the national government.
 - B. Proposed a Two-house national legislature
 - C. Represented the wishes of the smaller states.
 - D. Was strongly supported by Madison and his colleagues.
 - E. Denied Congress power to tax or regulate trade.
- 8. Regarding slavery, one of the Constitutional Convention's most important decisions
 - A. Allowed the slave trade to continue indefinitely.
 - B. Called for the ending of slave trade in 1808.
 - C. Provided for an immediate end to the importation of African slaves.
 - D. Declared slavery to be illegal as of 1808.
 - E. Declared that slaves could not be purchased in the U.S. after 1808.
- 9. In order for the Constitution to be accepted,
 - A. Nine state legislatures needed to ratify it.
 - B. A unanimous vote among the states to ratify it.
 - C. Nine state conventions needed to ratify it.
 - D. The public needed to ratify it.
 - E. Three-fifths of all state legislators needed to ratify it.
- 10. The Constitution was ratified
 - A. Easily in all the major states.
 - B. By close votes in the major states.
 - C. With little opposition from farmers.
 - D. With great opposition from artisans and merchants.
 - E. Within eight months.

- 11. The _____ proposed a new form for government that was acceptable to the smaller states.
 - A. Virginia Plan
 - B. "three-fifths rule"
 - C. Connecticut Plan
 - D. Franklin Compromise
 - E. New Jersey Plan
- 12. The best definition of *republican*, as it was understood in the late 1700s, was
 - A. A government without monarchy or aristocracy.
 - B. A new political party.
 - C. A continuation of the British monarchy.
 - D. A strong central government.
 - E. "one man, one vote"

- 13. Major weaknesses in the Articles of Confederation government included
 - A. In inability to regulate the trade through tariffs.
 - B. In inability to tax.
 - C. The inability to provide a standard currency.
 - D. All of the above.
 - E. None of the above.
- 14. Federalists can be closely associated with
 - A. A desire to preserve the Articles of Confederation.
 - B. Proposing the Bill of Rights be added to the Constitution.
 - C. The idea of a strong central government.
 - D. The idea of states' rights.
 - E. The early abolition movement.
- 15. Concerning slavery, the new Constitution
 - A. Outlawed it after 1807.
 - B. Outlawed the slave trade after 1807.
 - C. Allowed southern states to count their slaves for congressional representation but not for taxation.
 - D. Outlawed slavery in the North but permitted it in the South.
 - E. Did not address it, except in the Bill of Rights.