

Wanted: A Just Right Government **** TEACHER GUIDE ****

BRITISH RULE	
What were the effects of British rule?	
<i>Cause: The British government treated the American colonists harshly.</i>	<i>Effect: Many American colonists feared a powerful government.</i>
<i>Cause: Many former colonists feared losing their freedom to a new government.</i>	<i>Effect: The new Americans made sure their new government could not take away states' freedom and independence.</i>
<i>Cause: The British government taxed the American colonists unfairly.</i>	<i>Effect: The new Americans made sure their new government did not have the power to collect taxes.</i>

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ARTICLES OF CONFEDERATION	
What problems did the Articles of Confederation lead to?	
<i>Cause: The government under the Articles of Confederation could not collect taxes to raise money.</i>	<i>Effect: The government could not pay its debts from the Revolutionary War, and America lost standing with other nations.</i>
<i>Cause: The legislature created by the Articles of Confederation gave equal power to large and small states.</i>	<i>Effect: Large states were unhappy because with bigger populations, they thought they should have more power.</i>
<i>Cause: The Articles of Confederation did not create any courts.</i>	<i>Effect: When a problem arose between states, there was nowhere to settle the dispute.</i>

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THE CONSTITUTION	
What problems did the new Constitution solve?	
<i>Cause: Small and large states could not agree on how power should be divided in the legislature.</i>	<i>Effect: The new Constitution split the legislature so states had equal power in one half and power based on population in the</i>
<i>Cause: States could and did ignore laws passed by the Congress created by the Articles of Confederation.</i>	<i>Effect: The new Constitution said laws passed by Congress are superior to state laws.</i>
<i>Cause: Independent states made laws that penalized out-of-state businesses and citizens.</i>	<i>Effect: The new Constitution required states to treat citizens of other states the same as they treat their own citizens.</i>

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