**Edmund Burke Academy/Online Lesson**

**U.S. History**

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***READ FIRST: The Constitution*** (to accompany my *Constitution* PPT and Video). Be sure your answers are thorough as the three study guides will be combined for a test grade. You may need to consult your text or previous notes to explain an answer. You MUST watch the Video in order to provide correct responses. Do NOT simply copy the slides.

**Note:** Download this document and **type** your answers beneath each question (Word or Google Docs only). Save and attach to an email (**kreeves@burkeacademy.org**). Do it this way so you will have a copy to study for the semester exam. Please be thorough in your answers; dates are necessary and complete explanations required.

1. What is a democratic republic?
2. List 4 groups of people who could not vote at the time of the Constitutional Convention.
3. Name 2 provisions each state constitution had in 1781.
4. Which branches of government were missing from the Articles of Confederation?
5. What were the 3 most important things missing from the Articles?
6. List the 3 major accomplishments of the Articles AND **explain them in detail**.

A.

B.

C.

1. What did every new plot of land in the territory have to have in the middle?
2. What was the first requirement of each territory if it wanted to apply for statehood?
3. Why did the North want tariffs and the South oppose them?
4. What was the first major challenge to the Articles?
5. What do you think Jefferson meant on Slide 13?
6. What was the issue that brought the states together leading to the decision to change the Articles?
7. Who was elected President of the Constitutional Convention?
8. Why did Sam Adams support the Articles?
9. Why did Thomas Jefferson oppose the Constitution?
10. There were 3 major compromises at the Convention. Describe the issue and the solution to each:

A. Great Compromise

B. 3/5 Compromise

C. Tariff Compromise

17. What surprising argument did Abigail Adams make to her husband, John regarding the inclusion of women in the new Constitution?

18. Name three ideological differences between the Federalists and the Anti-federalists. **Explain.**

A.

B.

C.

19. Why did the Convention insist upon unanimous ratification?

20. What was Patrick Henry’s primary argument against ratification?

21. What was James Madison’s primary point in his response?

22. Which Enlightenment Thinkers contributed the following concepts to our Constitution?

A. Popular sovereignty

B. Natural rights

C. Checks and balances

23. Why did the framers of the Constitution insist upon civilian control of the military?

24. Who can bring impeachment charges against a President or Supreme Court justice?

25. Who tries them if impeached?

26. Why is the President required to be older to run for office?

27. What does it mean that to run for President “one must be a resident of the U.S. for 14 years?” Why do you think this was required?

28. Why are Supreme Court and Federal judges appointed for life?

Who appoints them?

Who approves them?

29. Why are all the powers of the national government ***expressed powers***?

30. What is a ***federal system of government***?

31. Name one concurrent power.

32. Name one exclusive power.

33. Explain the elastic clause.

34. Explain what each clause in the preamble to the Constitution means/significance:

A. “We the people of the United States, in order to form a more perfect union….”

B. “establish justice”

C. “insure domestic tranquility”

D. “provide for the common defense”

E. “promote the general welfare”

F. “secure the blessings of liberty to ourselves and our posterity”

G. “do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America.”