

1.3 THE CONSTITUTION (pp. 15-20)

CHECKPOINTS

Answer each question using complete sentences.

1. What were the chief weaknesses of the Articles of Confederation?
2. What key compromises did delegates to the Constitutional Convention make?
3. What were the main arguments for and against ratification of the Constitution?
4. What major principles appear in the U.S. Constitution?

TERMS AND PEOPLE

What do all of the terms and people listed below have in common? Explain.

1. bill of rights
2. Shays' Rebellion
3. James Madison
4. ratify
5. federalism
6. separation of powers
7. checks and balances