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(B) They point out King George's unbiblical taxation.  
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- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. The constitutions of the 13 colonies show that they (the colonies) were \_\_\_\_.  
(A) independent nations  
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(C) similar to state counties
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- \_\_\_\_\_ 8. Modern politicians/news commentators/government-school teachers badmouth the AOC because \_\_\_\_.  
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(A) updating the AOC  
(B) electing a U. S. President  
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- \_\_\_ 13. During the Constitution’s writing, the “Federalists” (*not* the “Anti-Federalists”) repeatedly tried to \_\_\_.  
(A) increase the U. S. government’s powers over the states  
(B) increase the states’ powers and lower the U. S. governments powers  
(C) limit the powers of the U. S. President
- \_\_\_ 14. Nationalists used *The Federalist Papers* and ratification speeches to try to convince Federalists that \_\_\_.  
(A) they should reject the proposed U. S. Constitution  
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(C) the U. S. government would be strong and powerful
- \_\_\_ 15. The problem with letting a government *interpret* the same constitution that gives it powers is that \_\_\_.  
(A) the government takes too long to interpret the document  
(B) the government will “decide against itself” too often  
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- \_\_\_ 16. Two ways that can help stop a national government from getting too powerful are \_\_\_ and \_\_\_ (choose **two**).  
(A) giving more citizens the right to vote  
(B) replace it with more local government  
(C) giving a President more power to stop the national government  
(D) focus on state governments’ interpreting the constitution
- \_\_\_ 17. In “Objections to the Constitution,” George Mason says that northern states will eventually \_\_\_ the southern states.  
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(B) become less powerful than  
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- \_\_\_ 18. A person who interprets the Constitution “broadly” believes that the Constitution \_\_\_.  
(A) contains many more powers than those listed in it  
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(C) should be interpreted as saying exactly what it means  
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**Home School Partners – American Government: Week 10, Quiz 3 (Weeks 6-8 Readings)**

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(A) God, the people (C) the President, the people  
(B) lawmakers, judges (D) the people, God
- C** 2. How should a Christian view the DOI's list of complaints against King George and Britain's government?  
(A) They're serious enough to justify revolution.  
(B) They point out King George's unbiblical taxation.  
(C) There's nothing in them that asks Christians to disobey God.
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(A) independent nations  
(B) dependent upon each other  
(C) similar to state counties
- D** 4. The constitutions of New Hampshire, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Georgia, New York, etc. included \_\_\_\_.  
(A) bills of rights protecting the people  
(B) how the state was to be governed  
(C) guarantees of religious freedom  
(D) all of these
- D** 5. The Virginia Statute for Religious Freedom says that it's wrong for a government to \_\_\_\_.  
(A) force someone to practice religious faith  
(B) take away a person's rights because of his beliefs  
(C) tax residents to support a specific, favored religion  
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(A) Thomas Jefferson (B) Benjamin Franklin (C) Charles Pinckney (D) Billy "The Weasel" Kluckenlucker
- D** 7. The Articles of Confederation \_\_\_\_.  
(A) came before the U. S. Constitution  
(B) gave Congress no power to tax  
(C) left the 13 states/nations free and independent  
(D) all of these
- C** 8. Modern politicians/news commentators/government-school teachers badmouth the AOC because \_\_\_\_.  
(A) it gave large powers to a President  
(B) it gave Congress great taxing powers  
(C) they support powerful governments, which the AOC wasn't
- A** 9. The Philadelphia Constitutional Convention members agreed that they were meeting for the purpose of \_\_\_\_.  
(A) updating the AOC  
(B) electing a U. S. President  
(C) writing a brand new constitution to replace the AOC
- B** 10. Many Americans were disturbed about the Philadelphia Constitutional Convention, since its delegates \_\_\_\_.  
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(B) increase the states’ powers and lower the U. S. governments powers  
(C) limit the powers of the U. S. President
- B** 14. Nationalists used *The Federalist Papers* and ratification speeches to try to convince Federalists that \_\_\_\_.  
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(B) the U. S. government wouldn’t try to dominate the states  
(C) the U. S. government would be strong and powerful
- C** 15. The problem with letting a government *interpret* the same constitution that gives it powers is that \_\_\_\_.  
(A) the government takes too long to interpret the document  
(B) the government will “decide against itself” too often  
(C) the government nearly always interprets it to give itself more powers
- B** 16. Two ways that can help stop a national government from getting too powerful are \_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_ (choose *two*).  
**D** (A) giving more citizens the right to vote  
(B) replace it with more local government  
(C) giving a President more power to stop the national government  
(D) focus on state governments’ interpreting the constitution
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(B) become less powerful than  
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**Home School Partners – American Government: Week 25, Quiz 8 (Weeks 21-23 Readings)**

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## Home School Partners – American Government: Week 31, Quiz 10 (Final)

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 (A) vetoed, plunder (B) signed, needed (C) vetoed, too expensive
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 (A) free an innocent person (B) nullify a bad law (C) both A & B
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 (A) “jobs” at their companies (B) bribes (C) donations to their campaigns (D) any of these
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(A) unconstitutional, hating the poor/elderly (B) legal, wanting high taxes (C) cheap, not caring about others
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