

TASK COMPLETION SHEET

Directions: As you complete each task, color the icons found below. When all boxes have been colored, you have completed each task successfully.

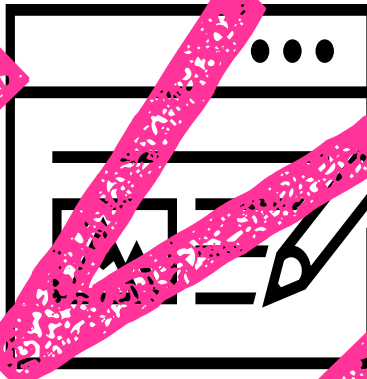
TASK 1

Fill in the blanks



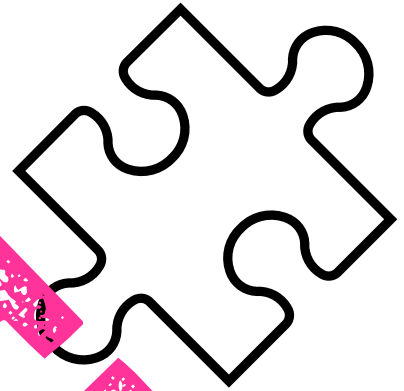
TASK 2

Vocabulary



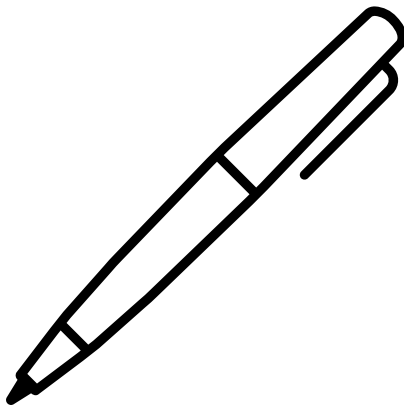
TASK 3

Crossword



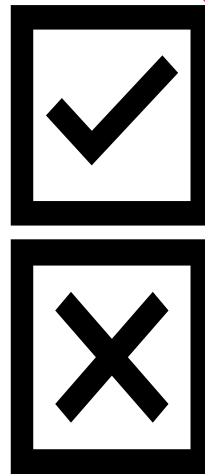
TASK 4

Text Marking



TASK 5

True - False



TASK 6

Summary



TASK 1: FILL IN THE BLANK

Directions: Use the words below to fill in the reading.

document	citizens	three
older	British	balance
principles	problems	federal

The United States Constitution is a _____ that states how the federal government should operate. It outlines what the federal government can do, as well as what the _____ (national) government cannot do. The U.S. Constitution also outlines the _____ branches of the government. Then it discusses the purpose of each branch in detail. The document is important because it protects the freedoms and rights of the _____. It outlines basic rights for all Americans. The Constitution is organized into seven different parts called Articles. The U.S. Constitution is the _____ government document that is still in use today.

The United States had a document before the Constitution called the Articles of Confederation. The Articles of Confederation had many major _____. The Articles did not allow the government to collect money. In turn, the government did not have any money to operate. In 1787, this issue and others were discussed at the Constitutional Convention. Here, the Constitution was drafted to replace the Articles of Confederation. The Constitution created a system of federal government that could operate without impacting the basic rights of any of the citizens. At the Constitutional Convention, the writers decided that the government needed three branches to operate. The three branches created a _____ of powers within the federal government. Each branch has a clear purpose, but none can become too powerful. This was very important to Americans at the time. They had just broken away from the tight rule of the _____ government. The three branches include the Legislative Branch, Executive Branch and the Judicial

TASK 2: VOCABULARY PRACTICE

Directions: Choose 5 words from the reading that are unfamiliar or new to you and fill in the diagram below.



WORD



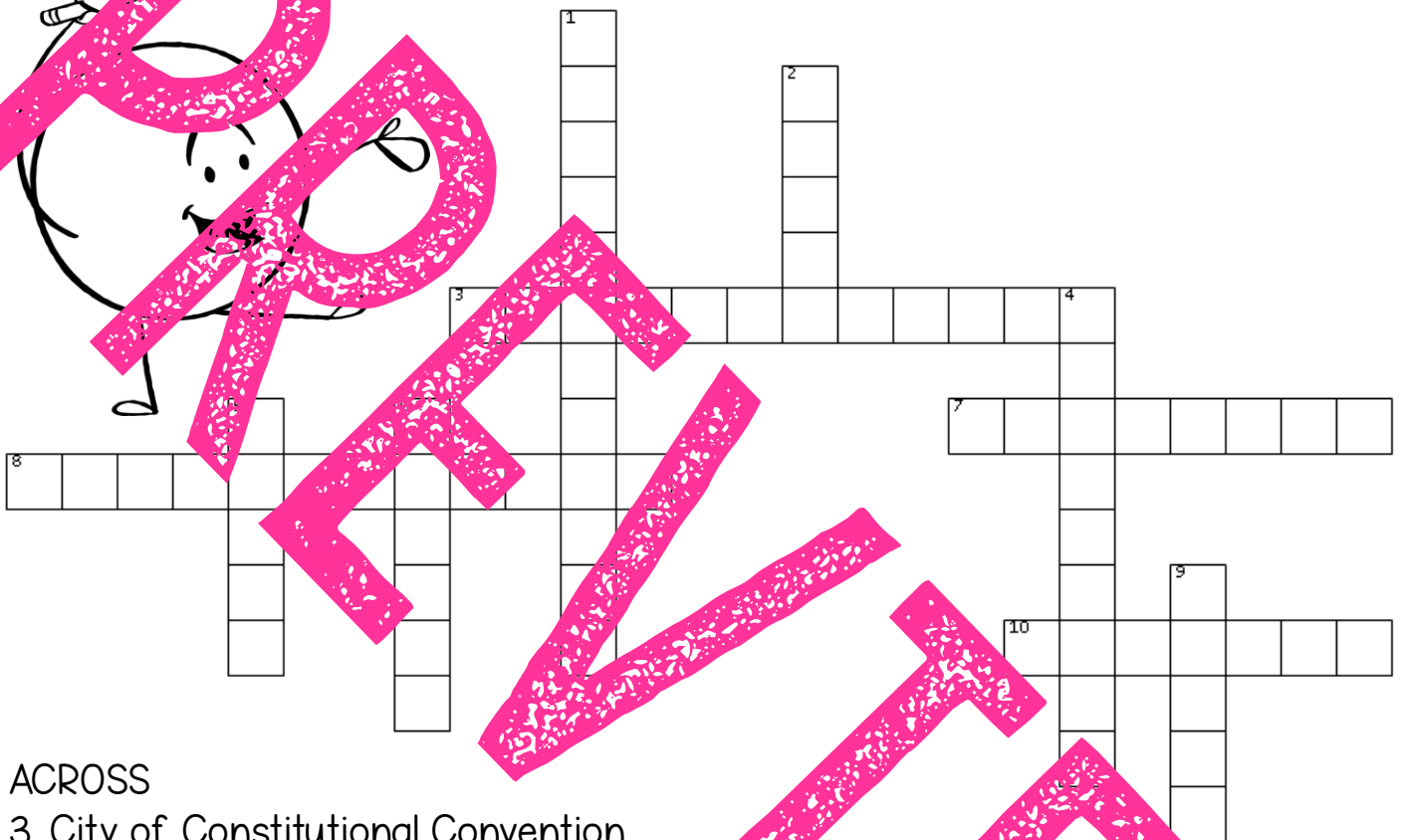
PICTURE



DEFINITION

TASK 3: CROSSWORD

Directions: Complete the crossword puzzle by reading the clues below and entering the correct response.

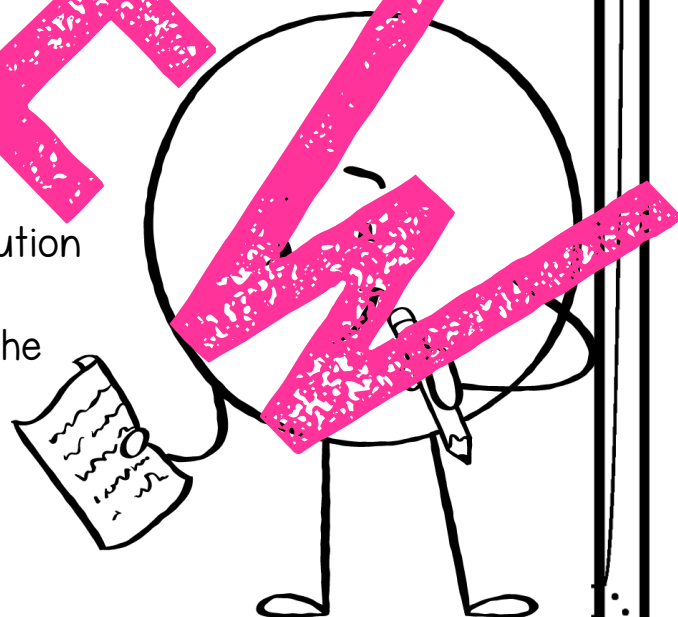


ACROSS

3. City of Constitutional Convention
7. The opening part of the Constitution
8. Amendments I-10
10. National or central

DOWN

1. Plan of government
2. Number of branches outlined in the Constitution
4. A change or addition to the Constitution
5. The Articles of Confederation did not allow the government to collect _____
6. The Constitution protects the basic _____ of the citizens
9. Number of Articles



TASK 6: SUMMARIZE



TOPIC SENTENCE



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SUMMARY



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