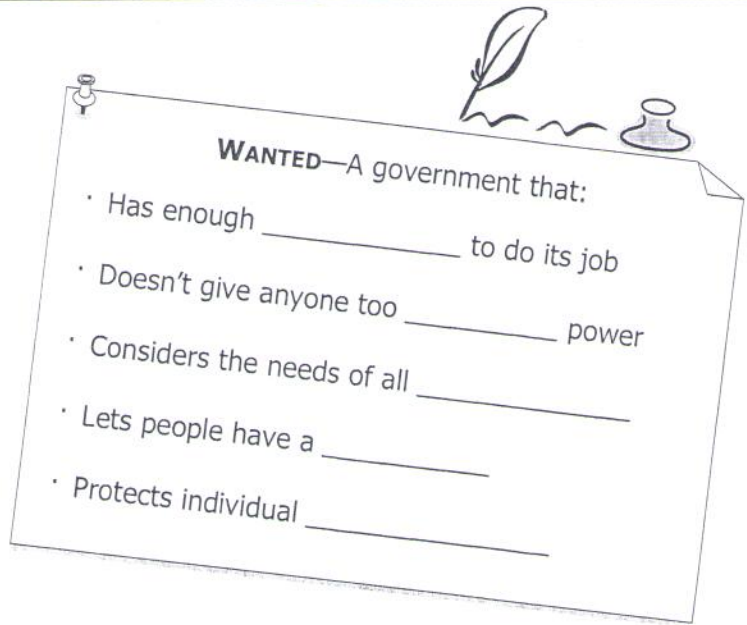


Wanted: A Just Right Government Name: _____

Starting From Scratch

After the American colonists declared independence from Great Britain, the first thing they had to decide was what kind of government to have. The colonists were tired of living under British control. The British government had treated them unfairly, and the colonists set out to make sure their new government would be much, much better!





The First Attempt:

The _____ of _____ year: _____

A **confederation** is a _____ of individuals _____ together for a _____.

what is a confederal system?

- Each state was _____ and had its own _____.
- Each state sent _____ to the "Congress of the Confederation."
- The Congress was the only _____ government. There was no _____.
- In Congress, each state got _____ vote.

 Hey, this sounds great!	Wait! Not so fast... 
States get to keep their _____ and _____.	Congress had no way to _____ its laws!
No _____ telling states what to do.	Congress had no power to collect _____ to pay for the military!
Congress had the power to create a _____ to _____ all the states.	The Articles could only be _____ if _____ the states agreed!