






Wanted: A Just Right Government Name: _____

No one could agree on what kind of government this new country needed! This was because...



- States had different _____. For example, some states depended on _____, while others mostly grew _____.
- States had different _____. Some states had _____ people and some had _____.
- People had different _____. Some people _____ a central government, while others thought a central government was _____.

Question: why did people fear a central government?
A New Idea

ARTICLES OF CONFEDERATION	NEW IDEA
Government has ____ branch:	Government has ____ branches:
✓ Legislative: _____ laws	✓ Legislative: _____ laws ✓ Executive: _____ laws ✓ Judicial: _____ laws

BUT WAIT! How many _____ should each state get in the legislature?

 Virginia Plan	 New Jersey Plan
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of votes depends on _____ • _____ states would have more power • legislative branch has _____ "chambers" 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Each state gets _____ vote • _____ states would have more power • legislative branch has _____ "chamber"
The Constitution Solution!	
Divide the legislature into ____ houses:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Senate: Each state gets _____ votes • House of Representatives: Number of votes depends on _____ 	

More Constitution Solutions

- The Constitution requires each state to treat _____ of other states the _____ as it treats its own citizens.
- The Constitution can be changed if _____ of the members of Congress and _____ of the states agree.
- The Constitution says that the laws passed by Congress are _____ to laws passed by the _____.

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 law of the land