



Testing the New Government

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The Chapter in Brief

Fill in the blanks to form a summary of Chapter 9 in AMERICA IS.

The government under the Constitution began operation in the year _____. Newly elected members of Congress met in New York City. Electors chose _____ as the first President and _____ as the Vice-President. In 1789, Congress passed the _____ Act establishing a federal court system. The act set up three levels of federal courts: the _____ courts, the _____ courts, and the Supreme Court.

The first President set an example for later Presidents. He met with the heads of the departments called the _____ for advice and suggestions. Secretary of the Treasury _____ drew up an economic plan to establish the nation's credit and raise revenue. The program was meant to be profitable to _____. A plan for a Bank of the United States led to two different views of the Constitution. One view understood the Constitution to mean much more than it actually said. This view is called a _____ of the Constitution. _____, who was the Secretary of State, understood the Constitution to mean only what it actually said. This view is called a _____ of the Constitution.

Members of the first presidential administration also disagreed over foreign policy. When war broke out between France and Britain, Hamilton favored the _____ and Jefferson favored the _____. The President issued a Proclamation of _____, saying the United States would not take sides.

Quarrels over economic and foreign policy led to the development of political parties. The first two parties were the _____ party that was strong in New England and the seacoast areas and the _____ party that was strong in the South, Southwest, and frontier areas.

The second President of the United States was _____ of Massachusetts. He supported the _____ Acts in an attempt to weaken the power of the rival party. The President's opponents responded with the Kentucky and Virginia _____ which declared the President's actions null and void.

In 1800, _____ became President. This marked the first change of power from one political party to another in America's history. The President doubled the physical size of the United States through the purchase of _____ from the country of _____ in 1803. In order to learn more about the purchased territory, the President sent an expedition led by _____ and _____. During this term of office, Chief Justice _____ established the right of the Supreme Court to decide if laws of Congress were unconstitutional. In its first 20 years, the United States became established.