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Chapter 8, Section 1

Our Political Beginnings

A. KEY TERMS AND CONCEPTS

Match the descriptions in (Column I) with the terms in (Column II). Write the correct letter in each blank.

Column I

- _____ 1. a 1215 document, introducing the rights of trial by jury and due process of law
- _____ 2. consisting of two houses, as a legislature
- _____ 3. the idea that government is not all-powerful
- _____ 4. consisting of one house, as a legislature
- _____ 5. the idea that government should serve the will of the people

Column II

- a. limited government
- b. representative government
- c. Magna Carta
- d. bicameral
- e. unicameral

B. MAIN IDEAS

Write the letter of the correct answer in the blank provided.

_____ 6. The shape of American government is based on the English political idea of

- a. colonial government.
- b. limited government.
- c. representative government.
- d. all of the above.

_____ 7. Which of the following limitations on the English king's power was NOT included in the Petition of Right of 1629?

- a. The king could not imprison citizens without trial by jury.
- b. The king could not declare martial law in peacetime.
- c. The king could not allow his child to follow him to the throne.
- d. The king could not require people to shelter troops without a home owner's consent.

_____ 8. Which of the following describes a royal colony?

- a. a colony owned by a wealthy private citizen
- b. a colony subject to the direct control of the Crown
- c. a colony that was largely self-governing
- d. none of the above

_____ 9. Which of the following was a characteristic of the royal colonies?

- a. Their legislatures were unicameral.
- b. The colonies did not have charters.
- c. The governors lacked veto power over the legislatures.
- d. The governors and their councils shared the power of the purse.

_____ 10. The colonies were settled for all of the following reasons EXCEPT ..

- a. as refugees for victims of England's harsh poor laws.
- b. to take land from Native Americans.
- c. to provide a forum for those in search of greater personal and religious freedom.
- d. as commercial ventures.