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Articles of Confederation Quiz

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1. Which statement best describes the Articles of Confederation?

- a) A Supreme Court had the authority to declare acts of Congress unconstitutional
- b) The national government controlled interstate commerce
- c) The President maintained exclusive control over foreign policy
- d) A system was created where the states held the most power.

2. The Articles of Confederation created a

- a) Republic with a chief executive
- b) Strong central government
- c) Loose relationship between free and independent states.
- d) Government with legislative and judicial branches

3. The Northwest Ordinance of 1787 was important because

- a) Provided a process for admission of new states into the union.
- b) Ensured universal suffrage for males
- c) Established reservations for Indians
- d) Allowed slavery in the NW land

4. The lack of a Federal Taxing Bureau and uniform currency under the Articles of Confederation suggests that the founders of the American republic

- a) Risked rebellion for a strong central government
- b) Feared a strong/ tyrannical central government
- c) Copied the British constitution and created a Parliament and Monarchy
- d) Disliked their president and wanted to elect a new one

5. The government created by the Articles of Confederation was unsuccessful at solving many major problems because

- a) Most power remained with the states and not with the Federal Government
- b) Representation in the Congress was based on the state's total population
- c) There was too much interference by political parties and their tyrannical leaders
- d) Unlimited power was given to the courts

6. Which idea had a major influence on the authors of the Articles of Confederation?

- a) Suffrage for all citizens
- b) Three branches of government are needed for political unity
- c) A strong central government threatens the rights of the people and the states
- d) The central government must have the power to levy taxes and control trade.

7. Which organization signed the Declaration of Independence and Created the Articles of Confederation?

- a) Sons of Liberty
- b) Loyalists
- c) Judiciaries
- d) Second Continental Congress

8. What was the main event that made people believe that the country was failing and was in need of a stronger government?

- a) The Whiskey Rebellion
- b) Shays Rebellion
- c) The Northwest Ordinance
- d) The Constitutional Convention