

Reading 2018 Questions

Read the following passage.

The passage is a section from a book about the history of the United States. It discusses the role of the federal government in the early years of the nation, particularly in the context of the Constitution and the early Supreme Court. The text describes how the federal government established a system of checks and balances, and how it worked to maintain a balance of power between the executive, legislative, and judicial branches. It also discusses the role of the federal government in the development of the nation's infrastructure and the economy. The passage concludes by noting that the federal government's role in the early years of the nation was crucial in establishing the foundations of the United States as a constitutional republic.

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1. Which of the following is the main purpose of the passage?	(A) To describe the role of the federal government in the early years of the nation.
2. According to the passage, what was the primary role of the federal government in the early years of the nation?	(B) To establish a system of checks and balances.
3. The passage states that the federal government worked to maintain a balance of power between the executive, legislative, and judicial branches. Which of the following best describes this balance of power?	(C) The executive branch was the most powerful, followed by the legislative branch, and then the judicial branch.
4. The passage discusses the role of the federal government in the development of the nation's infrastructure and the economy. Which of the following best describes this role?	(D) The federal government provided funding for the construction of roads, bridges, and other infrastructure.
5. The passage concludes by noting that the federal government's role in the early years of the nation was crucial in establishing the foundations of the United States as a constitutional republic. Which of the following best describes this role?	(E) The federal government established the Constitution and the early Supreme Court.

Answer Key:

1. (A) To describe the role of the federal government in the early years of the nation.
2. (B) To establish a system of checks and balances.
3. (C) The executive branch was the most powerful, followed by the legislative branch, and then the judicial branch.
4. (D) The federal government provided funding for the construction of roads, bridges, and other infrastructure.
5. (E) The federal government established the Constitution and the early Supreme Court.
