

Understanding the Articles of Confederation

Directions: Read the directions carefully for each question. While you read, mark text with the symbol indicated that helps you answer the corresponding questions. After reading, use the specific text-based evidence to answer each question. Write your answers in complete sentences and in your own words.

1. What are the Articles of Confederation?

Draw a star ★ next to the text from the reading that supports your answer.

Answer in 1-2 complete sentences	
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2. What is a confederation?

Draw a triangle ▲ next to the text from the reading that supports your answer.

Answer in 1-2 complete sentences	
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3. What were the weaknesses of the Articles of Confederation?

Underline — the text from the reading that supports your answer.

Answer in 1-2 complete sentences	
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4. What does the term debt mean? What does debt have to do with Shays's Rebellion?

Draw an arrow ➡ next to the text from the reading that supports your answer.

Answer in 1-2 complete sentences	
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5. How did Shays's Rebellion lead to the Constitutional Convention?

Circle ○ the text from the reading that supports your answer.

Answer in 1-2 complete sentences	
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6. What happened at the Constitutional Convention?

Draw a squiggly line ~ under the text from the reading that supports your answer.

Answer in 1-2 complete sentences	
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