



# Big Ideas (Guided Reading)

## Chapter 1.3 Textbook Pages 15 – 20

### What ideas and debates led to the Constitution and Bill of Rights?

What were the chief weaknesses of the Articles of Confederation? (P15-16)

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What key compromises did delegates to the Constitutional Convention make? (P17)

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What were the main arguments for and against ratification of the Constitution? (P18)

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What major principles appear in the US Constitution? (P20)

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### Terms and People

Directions: Use the textbook to describe the following terms and/or people.

Term/Person	Description
Bill of Rights	
Shay's Rebellion	
James Madison	
Ratify	
Federalism	
Separation of Powers	
Checks and Balances	