

## The Constitution

Theme: Politics and Power

Learning Objective 3.J: Explain the continuities and changes in the structure and functions of the government with the ratification of the Constitution.

### Federalism and Separation of Powers

KC-3.2.II.C.ii: Delegates from the states participated in the Constitutional Convention that created a limited but dynamic central government embodying federalism and providing for a separation of powers between its three branches.

- Built on Popular Sovereignty
- Limited government
  - \_\_\_\_\_ through separation of powers assured restraint on government
  - Bill of Rights protected individual liberties
- “Dynamic” central government
  - “\_\_\_\_\_” clause left the opportunity for expansion of power as needed
- \_\_\_\_\_
  - Power structure maintained importance of states in certain issues
  - \_\_\_\_\_ explicit on power structure

### Recap

- The Constitution created a federalist system with protections against abuses of power

### Part II

### Short Answer

Answer each prompt using at least THREE sentences.

1. Explain the continuities in the structure and functions of the government with the ratification of the Constitution.

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