

Launching the Nation

Section Quiz

Section 1

FILL IN THE BLANK For each of the following statements, fill in the blank with the appropriate word, phrase, or name.

1. In 1789 the electoral college unanimously selected _____ as the first president of the United States.
2. As president, George Washington established an important precedent by creating different _____ in the executive branch for the various areas of national policy.
3. _____ had to entertain guests and attend social events with her husband.
4. In 1790 most Americans lived in the _____, where they worked on farms.
5. An action or a decision that later serves as an example is a _____.
6. The _____ created three levels of federal courts within the judicial branch.
7. Most Americans wanted their new government to improve trade and to _____ them.
8. The first capital of the United States was in _____.
9. In the late 1700s, only two cities in the United States had populations greater than 25,000—New York and _____.
10. President Washington picked Alexander Hamilton as his secretary of the treasury and _____ as his secretary of state.

Launching the Nation**Vocabulary Builder****Section 2**

DIRECTIONS Read each sentence and fill in the blank with the word in the word pair that best completes the sentence.

1. _____ disagreed with the idea to pay speculators the full value of the government bonds that they had bought during the Revolutionary War. (**Thomas Jefferson/Alexander Hamilton**)
2. Hamilton's view of the Constitution was called _____. (**loose construction /strict construction**)
3. Congress chartered the _____ which played an important role in making the U.S. economy more stable. (**national debt/Bank of the United States**)
4. _____ are people who buy items at low prices in the hope that the value will rise. (**Bonds/Speculators**)
5. A _____ of the Constitution allows the federal government to take reasonable actions that the Constitution does not specifically forbid. (**loose construction /strict construction**)
6. People who favor _____ of the Constitution believe the federal government should do only what the Constitution says it can do. (**loose construction /strict construction**)
7. The amount of money that was owed by the United States was called the _____. (**national debt/Bank of the United States**)
8. The secretary of the treasury who had to deal with the challenge of paying off the national debt was _____. (**Thomas Jefferson/Alexander Hamilton**)
9. _____ are certificates that represent money. (**Bonds/Speculators**)
10. Thomas Jefferson's view of the Constitution was known as _____. (**loose construction /strict construction**)