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3.01 Articles of Confederation

Total Points: 45

# Part 1: Strengths and Weaknesses

Answer the following about the Articles of Confederation.

1. Why did many Americans want the new government to be a *republic*?

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| *Write your response below:* |
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1. Describe the US government under the Articles of Confederation.

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| *Write your response below:* |
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1. What were the strengths of the Articles of Confederation?

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| *Write your response below:* |
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1. List the weaknesses of the Articles of Confederation.

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| *Write your response below:* |
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1. Do you think the U.S. could have become a world power if the Articles of Confederation had remained in place? Discuss why or why not.

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| *Write your response below:* |
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# Part 2: Land Ordinances

Complete the chart below.

| **Land Ordinance of 1785** | **Land Ordinance of 1787** |
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| 1. What land did this ordinance impact?      1. How was income from the sale of the land used? 2. Describe how the land was divided. | 1. What territory did this ordinance create?      1. This ordinance created provisions (or requirements and steps) for admitting new states to the union. What were these provisions?        1. What practice was permanently outlawed from this territory? |

# Part 3: Political Cartoon

The central government faced many challenges under the Articles of Confederation due to its inability to regulate trade, levy taxes (tax its citizens), or enforce any of the powers that it had been given by the Articles.

Use information from the lesson to create a political cartoon that reflects the weaknesses of the Articles of Confederation. Your cartoon must include a title and/or caption that helps explain its message.

You are free to create your political cartoon using a variety of tools and methods:

* Draw your cartoon in the space below, either by hand or using digital tools.
* Use the Online Cartoon Maker linked on the Task page. If you use this tool, download the image you create and insert it below.
* Use an online meme generator or one of the other tools linked on the Task page. Please keep in mind that using these other tools will require you to create an account.

Insert your cartoon below: