

# STUDY GUIDE

## Charts 5, 6, 7, 11, 15 & 20

Week of October 26-30

Quizzes Daily-Grade Counts on Friday, 10-30-15

**5a.** The **United States Constitution** is our **country's plan of government** and was **written in 1787**.

**5b.** The **first part of the Constitution** is called the **Preamble** and **tells what the government's responsibilities are to its citizens**.

**5c.** The **main purpose of government** is to **create rules and laws that protect the people** and to **establish and maintain order**.

**6a.** **Democracy** is a **form of government** that is **run for and by the people**.

**6b.** The **number one principle of democracy** is **individual freedom**.

**6c.** **Federalism** is the **sharing of power** between the **states** and **national government**.

**6d.** The **three branches of government** are the **legislative branch**, the **executive branch**, and the **judicial branch**.

| 7                            | a                                   | b   | c |
|------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|---|
| <b>LEGISLATIVE BRANCH</b>    | <b>EXECUTIVE BRANCH</b>             | <b>JUDICIAL BRANCH</b>                          |   |
| <b>MAKES AND PASSES LAWS</b> | <b>CARRIES OUT OR EXECUTES LAWS</b> | <b>INTERPRETS OR TELLS THE FAIRNESS OF LAWS</b> |   |
| <b>NATIONAL LEVEL</b>        | <b>NATIONAL LEVEL</b>               | <b>NATIONAL LEVEL</b>                           |   |
| Congress                     | President                           | Supreme Court                                   |   |
| <b>STATE LEVEL</b>           | <b>STATE LEVEL</b>                  | <b>STATE LEVEL</b>                              |   |
| KY Legislature               | Governor                            | KY Supreme Court                                |   |
| <b>LOCAL LEVEL</b>           | <b>LOCAL LEVEL</b>                  | <b>LOCAL LEVEL</b>                              |   |
| City Council                 | Mayor                               | District and Circuit Courts                     |   |

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**11a.** **Representative government** is a system in which **voters elect representatives to make laws for them**.

**11b.** **Separation of Powers** is a system in which each **branch of government** has its **own powers**.

**11c.** **Checks and Balances** means each **branch of government** has **power to check, or control, the others**.

**15a.** The **Vikings** were the **first Europeans in North America**.

**15b.** **Jamestown** was the **first permanent English settlement in 1607**.

**15c.** The **Mayflower Compact** was signed in **1620** by the **Pilgrims** and is the **first example of English colonists to rule themselves**.

**15d.** In **1776**, the **Declaration of Independence** declared the **colonies' independence from Great Britain**.

**20a.** **Pioneers** who traveled **westward** in search of **gold in 1849** were called **49ers** and led to the **Westward Expansion of the United States**.

**20b.** **Harriet Tubman** was an **escaped slave** who became part of the **Underground Railroad**.

**20c.** The **first shots of the Civil War** were fired at **Fort Sumter, South Carolina in 1861**.

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