

CHAPTER

6

Section 2 Quiz



Five Principles of the Constitution  
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Reviewing Key Terms

From the box below, choose the term that matches the underlined phrase. Write the letter of the answer in the space provided. You will not use all the answers.

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| a. popular sovereignty | e. unconstitutional          |
| b. bill                | f. tyranny                   |
| c. veto                | g. representative government |
| d. line item veto      | h. override                  |

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. Congress has the power to pass a proposed law.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. The Supreme Court decides whether a law is not permitted by the Constitution.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. The phrase "we the people" expresses the principle of people holding the final authority in government.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. The United States has a/an system of government in which people elect public officials to make laws for them.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. The President can reject an entire bill passed by Congress.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. By a two-thirds vote in each house, Congress can set aside a presidential veto.

Understanding the Main Ideas

Read the following statements. If a statement is incorrect, place an X on the line next to its number. On the line following the statement, replace the underlined word(s) to make the statement correct.

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. Unlike European monarchies in which the king or queen had the right to make the laws, the United States government is based on popular sovereignty.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Tyranny divides power between the state and national governments but makes the Constitution "the supreme law of the land."
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. The division of the federal government into three branches is called federalism.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. A law passed in 1997 gave the President the veto, or the right to reject part of a bill.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. The ability of each branch of government to control the power of the others is called the system of checks and balances.