

CHAPTER

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Section 2 Guided Reading and Review
The Constitutional Convention ★

A. As You Read

Directions: As you read Section 2 in your textbook, answer the following questions:

1. What was the original goal of the Constitutional Convention? _____

2. Why is James Madison called “the Father of the Constitution”? _____

3. Why did the delegates keep their debates secret? _____

4. How would the legislature differ under the Virginia Plan and the New Jersey Plan?

5. What was Roger Sherman’s main contribution to the Convention? _____

6. How was the dispute between states over the question of the slave population resolved?

7. What were the Northern and Southern positions on outlawing the slave trade?

8. How was this disagreement resolved? _____

9. How would the Constitution be approved and go into effect? _____

B. Reviewing Key Terms

Directions: Briefly describe the responsibilities of each branch of government.

10. legislative branch _____
11. executive branch _____
12. judicial branch _____