

Section 1 Notetaking Study Guide

Question to Think About As you read Section 1, keep this question in mind:
How did President Washington set the course for the new nation?

► Use this chart to record key information from the section.

Washington Takes Office

The first job of the President and Congress: to put a working government in place

Executive Branch

- Congress passed laws to set up three executive departments: _____
- The President appointed a secretary to head each department. He also appointed an _____ to advise him on legal matters.
- This group of people became known as the _____.

Judicial Branch

- The Constitution called for a judiciary, or a court system.
- The _____ provided for a Supreme Court of 6 justices, _____ circuit courts, and 13 _____ courts.
- Main job of federal courts: _____

Hamilton's Financial Plan

The American Revolution had left the national government and states deeply in debt, which was mainly in the form of _____.

Part 1: Paying the Debt

- Hamilton wanted the United States to honor its _____.
- Many southerners opposed the plan to repay _____ debts.
- The agreement: _____

Part 2: _____

- The debate over the bank focused on the powers of the _____ under the _____.
- Some had a _____ interpretation of the Constitution. Others had a _____ interpretation.
- The bank was _____.

Part 3: High Tariff

- Hamilton wanted a high tariff to _____ for the federal government and to protect U.S. manufacturers from _____.
- Southerners argued the tariff would help the _____ but _____ the South.
- Congress _____ it.

The Whiskey Rebellion

- To raise money, Congress _____ all whiskey made and sold in the United States.
- It led to an armed revolt that tested the _____ of the new government.
- Washington sent the _____ as a sign that armed revolt was unacceptable.

Refer to this page to answer the Chapter 8 Focus Question on page 135.