

Review of the Articles of Confederation

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Answer the following questions about the Articles of Confederation and its impact on early American government.

1. What was one power the national government did NOT have under the Articles of Confederation?

- A. To collect taxes
- B. To declare war
- C. To make treaties

2. What were two weaknesses of the Articles of Confederation that impacted the national government?

3. Each state had more power than the national government under the Articles of Confederation.

- True False

4. The Articles of Confederation required ____ consent to make any changes to the government.

5. What could happen if each state made its own rules?

- A. It would create confusion
- B. It would be easier to follow
- C. It would help the national government

6. Why is collaboration important in creating effective governmental structures, as shown in Proverbs 15:22?

7. The national government was able to enforce laws across all states under the Articles of Confederation.

- True False

8. Without counsel, plans go ____; but with many advisers, they are established.

9. What was a specific challenge of having a weak central government?

- A. Too much control
- B. Lack of cooperation
- C. Too many taxes

10. How might different states disagree without a strong national government?

Answer Key

1. To collect taxes 2. The national government could not collect taxes and could not regulate trade between states. 3. True 4. unanimous 5. It would create confusion 6. Collaboration ensures that many ideas are considered, which helps create better plans and solutions. 7. False 8. wrong 9. Lack of cooperation 10. Different states might have different laws, leading to confusion and conflict over issues like trade and travel.
