

# Understanding Federalists and Anti-Federalists

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A Review of the Constitution Ratification Debate

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Answer the following questions based on what you learned about the Federalists and Anti-Federalists.

1. What did Federalists believe about government?
  - A. They wanted a weak government
  - B. They wanted a strong central government
  - C. They wanted no government at all
2. Anti-Federalists were worried about losing \_\_\_\_ freedoms.
3. Why is it important to listen to different ideas when making decisions?

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4. Both Federalists and Anti-Federalists wanted what was best for the country.  
 True       False

5. What did the Federalists think would help keep the new country united?

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6. What worried the Anti-Federalists the most?
  - A. Losing local freedoms
  - B. Having too many advisers
  - C. Creating a new Constitution

7. Proverbs 15:22 teaches us that plans succeed with many \_\_\_\_.

8. Compromise is not important in discussions about different opinions.  
 True       False

9. How can we respectfully disagree with someone who has a different opinion?

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10. What is one way that the Federalists and Anti-Federalists differed?
  - A. They both wanted a strong government
  - B. They both wanted to protect state rights
  - C. They had different views on the power of the central government

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## Answer Key

1. They wanted a strong central government 2. local 3. Listening to different ideas helps us understand other perspectives and make better choices. 4. True 5. Federalists believed a strong government would help keep the new country united. 6. Losing local freedoms 7. advisers 8. False 9. We can listen to their viewpoint, share our thoughts kindly, and try to understand where they are coming from. 10. They had different views on the power of the central government