

Constitution USA Episode 1: A More Perfect Union

Name: _____ Per: _____ Date: _____ Score: _____

1. In what year was the Constitution written?
2. What is meant by "federalism?"
3. Where does Peter Sagal begin his search for the Constitution? Why, what is the big issue happening in that state?
4. Who is Akhil R. Amar?
5. What was the first framework for American government drafted in 1777?
6. Whose idea was it to scrap the Articles of Confederation in favor of a new Constitution?
7. Why were many delegates skeptical about creating a strong central government?
8. What is the significance of the "supremacy clause?"
9. Do you agree with Abraham Lincoln's belief that secession was illegal?
10. Why did Peter Sagal travel to Missoula, Montana?
11. How many guns does the average gun owning family in Montana own?
12. What does the Second Amendment guarantee?
13. What was the first state to give women the right to vote?

14. What is the only state where prostitution is legal?
15. What is your favorite aspect of Peter Sagal's custom made Harley?
16. Who built the Hoover Dam?
17. Who launched a program called "The New Deal?"
18. What happened in Little Rock, Arkansas on September 4, 1957?
19. Why was President Eisenhower ambivalent about enforcing Civil Rights?
20. Who is Minnijean Brown?
21. Was the federal government justified in protecting the members of the Little Rock Nine?
22. Why does Peter Sagal visit a "toilet expert?"
23. What is the significance of the Wickard v. Filburn case?
24. How do you feel about the relationship between the delegated powers of the federal government and the reserved powers of the states?