

Chapter 3 Review Sheet

1. What does popular sovereignty mean?
2. Where is the idea of popular sovereignty stated in the Constitution?
3. What are the 6 goals of the Constitution?
4. What does “to form a more perfect union” mean in our way of speaking?
5. What should the government provide when “establishing justice”?
6. What is “domestic tranquility”?
7. How does the government “secure the blessings of liberty”?
8. What principle does representative democracy operate under?
9. Define the answer for question #8.
10. Why must the majority respect the rights of a minority in a representative democracy?
11. What is a federal system?
12. What else can the national government be called?
13. Define delegated powers.
14. List the 9 delegated powers.
15. Define reserved powers.
16. List the 8 reserved powers.
17. Define concurrent powers.
18. List the 5 concurrent powers.
19. What is a limited government? Is the US considered to be a limited government?
20. What protects all of our rights as citizens?
21. What are the 3 branches of government?
22. What does the legislative branch do?

23. How many houses are in our legislature? What is the term that is used to define our number of houses?
24. What are our houses called? Which is the upper house? Which is the lower house?
25. Why do the other 2 branches of government rely on the legislative branch?
26. What is the responsibility of the executive branch?
27. What is the title given to the person in charge of this branch? What is his name?
28. What is the title given to the person who is 2nd in command in this branch? What is his name?
29. What is the function of the judicial branch?
30. What organization is in charge of the judicial branch?
31. What had to be established so that *all* federal cases would be heard? Who established them?
32. Why do we have a system of checks and balances? How does it work?
33. Give an example of how the checks and balances work.
34. Why did the Constitution have to be able to change?
35. What is an amendment?
36. How can an amendment be proposed? How is it ratified?
37. How can Congress interpret the Constitution? Give an example?
38. What is an example of the unwritten constitution?