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DIRECTIONS: Use the notes below to fill out the report card on page 2 comparing the document, *The Articles of Confederation* and the future government document, *The Constitution*.

Articles of Confederation vs. the Constitution

Articles of Confederation	Constitution
<p>Executive Branch</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No executive to administer/enforce legislation • Congress has sole authority to govern • Executive committee to oversee government when Congress out of session 	<p>Executive Branch</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • President administers and enforces federal laws
<p>Legislative Branch</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unicameral (1 house legislature) • Each state has 1 vote regardless of population • Nine votes (of original 13) needed to enact major legislation 	<p>Legislative Branch</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bicameral (2 house legislature) • Each state has equal representation in Senate • Each state represented according to population in the House • Simple majority to enact legislation
<p>Judicial Branch</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No national court system • Congress established temporary courts to hear cases of piracy 	<p>Judicial Branch</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • National court system headed by Supreme Court • Courts hear cases involving national laws, treaties, and constitutionality as well as cases between states or between a state and citizens of another state.
<p>Other Matters</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Admission to confederacy by 9 votes (of original 13) • Amendment to Articles by unanimous vote • States retain independence 	<p>Other Matters</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Congress to admit new states (must have a republican government) • Amendment to Constitution by 2/3 vote of both houses or by national convention, followed by ratification by 3/4 of the states • States accept Constitution as the "Supreme Law of the Land"

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AREA	GRADE A, B, C, D, F	REASON(S) FOR GRADE	SUGGESTIONS FOR IMPROVEMENT	HOW THE CONSTITUTION ADDRESSED THIS ISSUE
Providing for a National Defense				
Protection of Individual Rights, Liberties, and Freedoms				
Powers of the Legislative Branch				
Powers of the Executive Branch				
Powers of the Judicial Branch				