U.S. History

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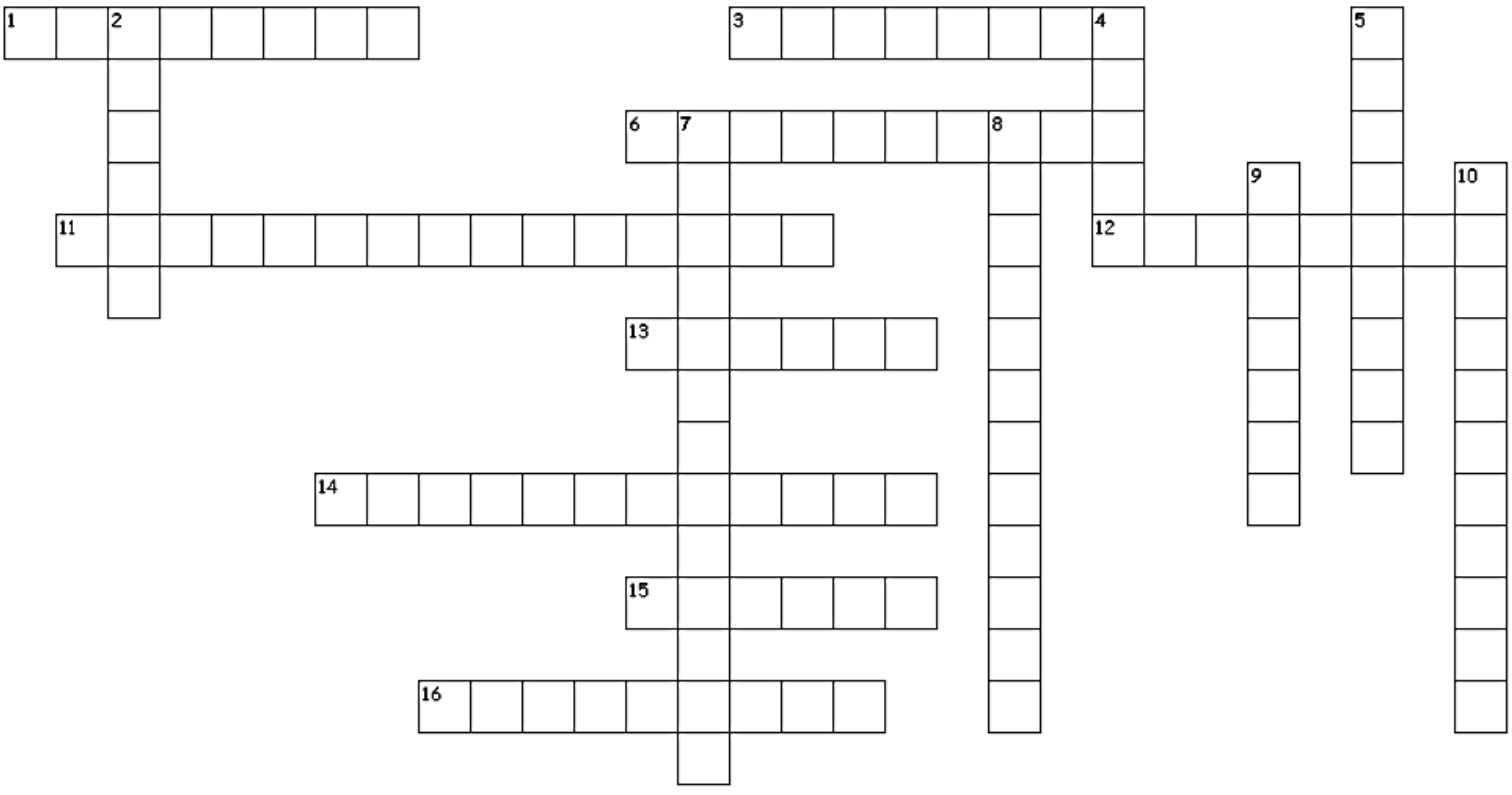
Chapter 7: Creating a Republic
Section 4: Ratification and the Bill of Rights – Pages 215-218

As You Read: Write the correct words into the crossword puzzle. Some of the answers have multiple words and must be written without a space between words. Spell Carefully.

1. **13 Across**: In 1787-88, voters in each state elected delegates who would decide whether or not to _____ the Constitution.
2. **10 Down**: Favored a strong federal/national/central government that would have enough power to fix the nation's problems.
3. **14 Across:** Federalists believed that the _____ gave the national government the authority it needed to function effectively.
4. **15 Across:** James Madison, Alexander Hamilton and John Jay wrote a series of essays known as *The Federalist Papers* in order to explain and _____ the Constitution.
5. **11 Across:** _____ felt that the Constitution made the national government too strong and left the states too weak.
6. **16 Across:** The main objection of the Antifederalists was that the Constitution had no bill of rights to protect people's basic _____ such as freedom of speech and religion.
7. **6 Across:** Federalists replied that it was _____ to list all of the natural rights of people and that the Constitution protected people well enough as it was.
8. **1 Across:** States voted one by one. _____ led the way on December 7, 1787, becoming the first state. Pennsylvania and New Jersey soon followed.
9. **7 Down:** _____ was the first battleground state. Old patriots like Sam Adams and John Hancock held back their support until it was agreed upon that a bill of rights might be added to the Constitution. The state ratified the Constitution in early 1788.
10. **3 Across:** The Constitution could go into effect in June of 1788, but two of the largest states, New York and _____ still had not ratified the plan. The nation's unity remained in doubt.
11. **12 Across:** Rhode Island had refused to even send a _____ to the Constitutional Convention, but in May of 1790 it became the last state to ratify the Constitution.
12. **5 Down:** The first election under the Constitution was held in January of 1789. George Washington was elected President and _____ was chosen as Vice President.
13. **9 Down:** The first Congress met in _____ City, which was the nation's first capital under the Constitution.
14. **4 Down:** _____ means to change the Constitution. This process is difficult so that changes cannot be made lightly.
15. **8 Down:** By December, 1791, ten of the twelve proposed amendments had been ratified and amended to the Constitution. These ten amendments became known as the _____.
16. **2 Down:** With the Bill of Rights in place, the new framework of government was complete. Over time, the Constitution became a _____ document that grew and changed along with the nation.