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 Lesson 12: Why Did the Framers Use the Virginia Plan to Create the Constitution?

- Explain the differences between the Virginia and New Jersey Plans.
- Explain why the Virginia Plan was used as the basis of our Constitution

<p>What was the Virginia Plan?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• James _____ plan for a new national government.</li> <li>• <b>Most important thing:</b> It proposed a _____ national government.</li> <li>- Make &amp; enforce it's own _____</li> <li>- Collect it's own _____</li> <li>- Created a _____ system (2 governments with authority from the _____)</li> </ul>
<p>Virginia Plan</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 3 Branches (L-E-J) with legislative having most power (power to select people in E &amp; J)</li> <li>• Legislature to be _____ (2 Houses)</li> <li>- House of _____ elected by people</li> <li>- Senate elected by the _____ of _____ from a list of nominees from the state legislature</li> <li>- Members of both Houses to be based on the size of the state _____ (proportional representation)</li> </ul>
<p>Reaction to Virginia Plan</p>	<p><b>Large States supported it:</b>  <b>1 _____ = 1 vote (proportional)</b>  <b>_____ States Disapproved</b>  <b>1 _____ = 1 vote (equal representation)</b></p>
<p>What was the New Jersey Plan?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Committee of _____ state delegates drafted it.</b></li> <li>• <b>Wanted to keep the framework of the _____ of Confederation (A/C)</b></li> <li>• <b>3 Branch National Government w. expanded powers, but still “_____”</b></li> </ul>
<p>NJ Plan: Legislative Branch</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Power to _____</li> <li>- levy import duties &amp; stamp tax (power to collect)</li> <li>• Trade</li> <li>- regulate _____ among the states and with other nations</li> <li>• Control over the states</li> <li>- _____ Clause (state laws contrary null &amp; void)</li> </ul>
<p>NJ Plan: Executive Branch</p>	<p><b>Executive to be made up of _____ persons appointed by _____</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>power to administer national laws</b></li> <li>- <b>appoint other executive officials</b></li> <li>- <b>direct all military operations</b></li> </ul>

<p>NJ Plan: Judicial Branch</p> <p>Why was the Virginia Plan used?</p> <p><b>Reflection:</b></p> <p>New Jersey Plan _____</p> <p>Virginia Plan _____</p>	<p>A supreme court would be appointed by the executive branch</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-power to decide cases involving _____</li> <li>-trade among the states &amp; other _____</li> <li>-cases involving collection of _____</li> </ul> <p><b>Please Notes: No power to hear cases re: civil rights!</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•NJ Plan acted on states and NOT on _____</li> <li>•<u>Timing</u>- _____ Plan had a 2 week head start</li> <li>•Many delegates believed new powers and new organization for exercising those powers was needed</li> </ul> <p>Think of yourself as a delegate participating in the Philadelphia Convention. In the left hand column cast your vote for one of the two plans. Then write a brief article below explaining to your constituents WHY you voted for the plan you did.</p>
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