SECTION 2

GUIDED READING AND REVIEW



The Constitutional Convention

A. As You Read

As you read Section 2, check the sentence in each group that is not related to the other sentences. Then write another related sentence on the line provided.

GROUP I
a. James Madison saw people as naturally selfish and driven by powerful emotions.
b. James Madison believed proper government would bring order to society.
c. James Madison was happily married for 42 years.
d. James Madison supported a strong national government.
GROUP 2
a. The Three-Fifths Compromise solved the problem of southern representation in the House of Representatives.
b. Delegates provided a way to amend or change the Constitution.
c. Divisions among the convention delegates were resolved by compromise.
d. The Great Compromise created the House of Representatives and the Senate.
Group 3
a. By running for election every six years, senators were less likely to follow the whims of popular opinion.
b. Members of the House of Representatives were kept responsive to the wishes of the people by having to run for reelection every two years.
c. The election of President was removed from direct control of the people.
d. The Elastic Clause gives Congress wide-ranging power to make laws.
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B. REVIEWING KEY TERMS

Explain each of the following terms on a separate sheet of paper.

- 4. amend 5. checks and balances 6. separation of powers 7. Electoral College
- **8.** veto **9.** Great Compromise **10.** Three-Fifths Compromise **11.** federal