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Constitutional Ratification

Newspaper Front Page Assignment

Create a newspaper front page dated June 22, 1788. Choose a newspaper title and write two short articles, with appropriate titles, about the ratification of the Constitution on June 21, 1788. Include an illustration with a caption for *one* of your articles.

In one article, write a factual piece describing the historic events accurately and in neutral manner. Include all the historically important information included in your textbook.

In the other article, write an editorial from the perspective of a citizen learning that the Constitution is now the law of the land. The citizen may either be for or against the new government. Choose a perspective and defend it with historically accurate information.

TURN THIS SHEET IN WITH YOUR FINAL PRODUCT

5 points each:

- _____ Includes newspaper title, date, article titles and bylines, and illustration
- _____ Articles are historically accurate
- _____ Illustration and caption add detail or insight to one of the articles
- _____ Illustration is colorful, appropriate in content, and appropriately placed on document
- _____ Factual article presented in newspaper voice and includes historically significant information
- _____ Editorial article states clear opinion on ratification & is persuasive in defense of that opinion
- _____ Ideas are organized logically into paragraphs with clear main ideas
- _____ Articles are well organized with clear introductions, transitions, and conclusions
- _____ Proper spelling and grammar conventions are used
- _____ Sources are listed on the back of this handout
- _____ Total points earned
- 50 Points possible