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| CONSENT**OF THE****GOVERNED** |  | people are the source of all governmental power |
| **REPRESENTATIVE****DEMOCRACY** |  | people elect public officeholders to make laws and conduct government on their behalf |
| **DEMOCRACY** |  | the people rule |
| **RULE OF LAW** |  | the government and those who govern are bound by the law |
| **LIMITED GOVERNMENT** |  | government may do only those things people have given it the power to do |
| **FEDERAL FORM OF GOVERNMENT** |  | national government is supreme |
| **PURPOSES OF THE GOVERNMENT IN THE PREAMBLE** |  | form a unionestablish justice;ensure domestic peace;provide defense |
| ***ARTICLES******OF******CONFEDERATION*** |  | first form of national government; individual states had major powersweakness of central government no power to tax & enforce laws |
| MARBURY V. MADISON |  | established the principle of judicial review at the national level |
| ***CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA*** |  | * establishes the structure of U.S. gov’t
* guarantees equality under the law
* majority rule and rights of minority protected
* affirms individual worth & dignity of all
* protects the 5 fundamental Freedoms: Religion, Speech, Press, Assembly, Petition
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| **FIRST AMENDMENT FREEDOMS** |  | ReligionAssemblyPressPetitionSpeech |
| **PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITIES OF NATIONAL GOVERNMENT** |  | conducts foreign policyregulates commerce |
| **PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITIES OF STATE GOVERNMENTS** |  | promotes publichealth, safety, and welfare |
| **PROCESS FOR AMENDING THE U.S. CONSTITUTION** |  | * approved by Congress (2/3)
* ratified by states (3/4)
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| **JUDICIAL CHECKS****EXECUTIVE** |  | declares executive acts unconstitutional |
| **LEGISLATIVE CHECKS****JUDICIAL** |  | * approves federal judges;
* impeaches federal judges
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| **LEGISLATIVE CHECKS****EXECUTIVE** |  | * overrides vetoes;
* impeaches president
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| **EXECUTIVE CHECKS****JUDICIAL** |  | appoints federal judges |
| **EXECUTIVE CHECKS****LEGISLATIVE** |  | * vetoes acts of Congress
* calls Congress into special session
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| **JUDICIAL CHECKS****LEGISLATIVE** |  | declares laws unconstitutional |