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**THE GREAT COMPERMISE/**

**THE CONSTITUTION CONVENTION**

**Why did the Articles of Confederation fail? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Why do governments change?**

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**Directions:** Read the article below. Answer questions 1-6 by writing New Jersey or Virginia in the blanks provided. (obj. 2.1 CE.2b)

**The Virginia Plan:** This was the first plan to be put forth at the convention. It called for a strong union with three branches of government. It called for a lawmaking branch (Congress) with two houses. Members of the lower house would be elected by the people. The states with the most people could elect more lawmakers than smaller states. Members of the upper house of Congress would be elected by the lower house. The head of the executive branch (president) would be picked by the lawmaking branch. The Congress would also pick judges for the judicial branch.

**The New Jersey Plan:** This plan called for only one house in the lawmaking branch. The executive branch would be made up of several people. These executives would be elected by the Congress. Under the New Jersey Plan, each state would have the same number of elected lawmakers. This would give smaller states the same power as the larger states.

1. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_favored by smaller states

2. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_favored by larger states

3. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_called for 2 houses of Congress

4. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_called for 1 house of Congress

5. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_all states would have the same number of seats in Congress

6. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_larger states would have more seats in Congress than smaller states

**Directions:** Read pages 114-117 then answer the questions below.

7. Under the Great Compromise what would the legislative branch be called?

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8. How many houses would make up the new legislative branch?**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

What is another name for this type of legislature? **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

9. What were the houses to be called? **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

10. What is the difference between the 2 houses?**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

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