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Study Guide

Complete each item as you read Chapter 3.

1. The Constitution rests on the five basic principles of _____,
_____, _____, _____,
and _____.
2. The idea that government must be based on the will of the people is called _____.
3. _____ guarantees that government does not hold all of the power.
4. The powers of the government are separated among three branches: the _____
branch, the _____ branch, and the _____ branch.
5. Article I is about _____, Article II is about _____, and
Article III is about _____.
6. The division of power between the central government and the states is called
_____.
7. The three parts of the Constitution are the _____,
the _____, and the _____.
8. There are _____ amendments to the Constitution; the first ten are called the
_____.
9. Amendments to the Constitution can be proposed in _____ ways and ratified in
_____ ways.

Vocabulary

Read each description, and write the letter of the correct term on the line.

1. _____ Idea that people are the most important source of governmental power
2. _____ Division of governmental power among different branches of government
3. _____ System designed to prevent a single branch of government from becoming too powerful
4. _____ The sharing of power between the national and state governments
5. _____ A change or addition to the Constitution
6. _____ The first ten amendments to the Constitution

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| a | amendment |
| b | Bill of Rights |
| c | checks and balances |
| d | federalism |
| e | popular sovereignty |
| f | separation of powers |