

USA YESTERDAY

You are to create two newspapers on standard sized copy/ printer paper (8 ½" x 11")

One paper will be devoted to arguing the Federalist cause of getting the Constitution ratified. The second paper will be devoted to arguing the Anti-Federalist of Democratic-Republican viewpoint. Each paper must have the following:

1. Name/Title of the paper--**Be creative**
2. An editorial extolling the virtues/drawbacks of the proposed Constitution. Have it signed by the editor—**Be creative**
3. A political cartoon lampooning the other side. **Be very creative yet factual.**
4. An article from a reporter covering the Constitutional Convention. Include **his** (Women were not allowed) thinking on how it is going, actual quotes from the period, factual issues such as the various compromises achieved. Have him talk to member of the Convention. Be **FACTUAL**. You can be creative also—This is the place for lots of **FACTS**. To get an "A" you will need 40+ Ding Dings.
5. Interviews with regular people on the street. Have four people representing regions or occupations that would have supported **THAT** paper's viewpoint. Four people will be interviewed for each paper. Four people telling how the proposed Constitution will help them and four telling how it will hurt them. Two suggestions are Western Pennsylvania farmers and a resident of New Jersey or Rhode Island. Make sure that you select groups that would feel strongest on the important issues dividing America during the post war period.

This the ONE assignment in APUSH where extra credit is given for **CLEARLY OUTSTANDING** projects. An outstanding project shows **DEPTH** of understanding of the complexity of the issues. A backwoods farmer might distrust a stronger national government, **AND** still understand that only a stronger national government could build the roads and control the Indians.

Extra Credit:

******BE CREATIVE—ABOVE ALL ELSE BE FACTUAL. SHOW THAT YOU TRULY UNDERSTAND THE ISSUES ON BOTH SIDES OF THE REATIFIATION DEBATE— REGIONALLY AND CLASS BASED.******

This assignment counts as a major test grade.