



Was Hamilton a Federalist? - Quiz

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Q1. Who were the Federalists?

- A. A group of political activists advocating for a centralized government
- B. A religious movement in the early United States
- C. A group opposing the creation of the US Constitution
- D. A faction supporting state governments over a central government

Q2. Was Alexander Hamilton a Federalist?

- A. No, he was an Anti-Federalist
- B. Yes, and he was a key figure in the Federalist Party
- C. He switched sides between Federalist and Anti-Federalist
- D. He was neutral and did not take sides

Q3. What did the Federalists want?

- A. More power to state governments
- B. A decentralized government system
- C. A strong centralized government and less power to states
- D. To abolish the constitution

Q4. Which country did the Federalists tend to side with in foreign affairs?

- A. France
- B. Spain
- C. Great Britain
- D. Germany

Q5. What was the main concern of the Anti-Federalists regarding the constitution?

- A. The lack of a Bill of Rights
- B. Too much power to state governments
- C. The constitution was too short
- D. They wanted a monarchy

Q6. What was the purpose of the Federalist Papers?

- A. To oppose the ratification of the constitution
- B. To promote the Federalist approach to government
- C. To criticize George Washington
- D. To advocate for state sovereignty

Q7. Who were the authors of the Federalist Papers?

- A. Thomas Jefferson and John Adams
- B. George Washington and Benjamin Franklin
- C. Alexander Hamilton, James Madison, and John Jay
- D. Patrick Henry and Samuel Adams

Q8. What role did Hamilton play in the ratification of the constitution?

- A. He drafted the entire constitution
- B. He opposed the constitution
- C. He helped sway delegates in key states to ratify it
- D. He had no role in the ratification process

Q9. What was one of the Federalists' controversial ideals?

- A. Direct election of all officials
- B. Life terms for elected senators
- C. Abolishing the central government
- D. Creating a monarchy

Q10. What happened to the Federalist Party after Hamilton's death?

- A. It grew stronger and dominated politics
- B. It merged with the Republican Party
- C. It began to fade away
- D. It became a religious movement

Answer Key

1. Q1: A
2. Q2: B
3. Q3: C
4. Q4: C
5. Q5: A
6. Q6: B
7. Q7: C
8. Q8: C
9. Q9: B
10. Q10: C