



## What Are Federalists? - Quiz

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<https://constitutionus.com/constitution/what-are-federalists-in-the-context-of-us-history/>

### Q1. What is a federalist in general terms?

- A. Someone who advocates for weak state governments
- B. Someone who wants a strong central government with less state power
- C. Someone who opposes any form of government
- D. Someone who supports complete state independence

### Q2. Who were the authors of the Federalist Papers?

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

### Q3. What was the main goal of the Federalist Society founded in 1982?

- A. To expand the power of the federal government
- B. To limit federal government power and empower states and individuals
- C. To abolish the Constitution
- D. To promote international treaties

**Q4. What was a major weakness of the Articles of Confederation?**

- A. It gave too much power to the central government
- B. It allowed Congress to tax citizens directly
- C. It lacked a mechanism to enforce state compliance
- D. It established a monarchy

**Q5. Who was the first president of the United States?**

- A. Thomas Jefferson
- B. John Adams
- C. George Washington
- D. James Madison

**Q6. What was the Federalist Party's stance on relations with Great Britain?**

- A. They wanted to maintain economic hostility
- B. They sought a positive relationship
- C. They advocated for war
- D. They ignored foreign relations

**Q7. What was the purpose of the Federalist Papers?**

- A. To oppose the ratification of the Constitution
- B. To advocate for the Articles of Confederation
- C. To support the ratification of the Constitution
- D. To criticize George Washington

**Q8. Which president signed the Alien and Sedition Acts?**

- A. Thomas Jefferson
- B. George Washington
- C. John Adams
- D. James Madison

**Q9. What was the Virginia Plan?**

- A. A proposal to keep the Articles of Confederation
- B. A draft for the eventual Constitution
- C. A treaty with Great Britain
- D. A plan to abolish the federal government

**Q10. What led to the decline of the Federalist Party?**

- A. The Louisiana Purchase
- B. The split between John Adams and Alexander Hamilton
- C. The War of 1812
- D. The election of George Washington

## **Answer Key**

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