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In Class Assignment

1. Federalism means:
 - the powers of the federal government are F_____ and D_____
 - the powers of the states are N_____ and indefinite
2. What did the Founders understand about people?
 - Men who lead are not “angels.” (Man is sinful and cannot be trusted with power.)
 - Smart people can be trusted to direct society for the benefit of mankind.
 - General legislation shall provide for the general welfare of the people.
3. What is the date that we really started deviating dangerously from the ideal of federalism?

April 12, 19_____
4. The powers of the federal government include a list of areas necessarily and unavoidably national in scope:
 - 1 – Regulate commerce with f_____ nations and Indian tribes
 - 2 – Provide for the national d_____
 - 3 – Coin m_____ and regulate the value thereof
 - 4 – Come up with uniform laws regarding immigration & naturalization and bankruptcy
 - 5 – Grant Letters of Marque and Reprisal
5. Letters of Marque and Reprisal is the power to engage in state-sponsored acts of p_____ on the high seas! 😊
6. The powers of the federal government are few and defined. This includes:
 - the power to ensure people have good health care.
 - the power to make all things fair and just.
 - the power to generally ensure everyone is happy and has what they need.
 - the power to be sure everyone has a nice strong cup of coffee in the mornings.
 - the power to ensure everyone has a job that matches their skill level and abilities.
 - none of the above.
7. Where did Ben Franklin learn the principle of Federalism?
 - It is part of our British legal heritage
 - Thomas Jefferson articulated it
 - from the Confederate States of America
 - Canasatego – It’s a Native American principle
8. The first clause of the first article of the Constitution establishes:
 - The judicial branch
 - the executive branch
 - the lawmaking branch with power divided between House and Senate
 - the general welfare clause

9. Congress now delegates its lawmaking power. Who do they delegate it to?

- the Supreme Court
- state governments
- Executive branch agencies
- the Police

❖ Why is this habit of delegating lawmaking a problem?

- The people ultimately making the laws are not delegated to do it.
- Fridays are a bad day for lawmaking and those branches only operate on Fridays.
- We cannot fire the people who are actually making the laws.
- It is actually a great way of doing it!

10. How much does federal regulation cost the American economy each year?

_____ (20 years ago)

_____ (now)

11. Who disproportionately bears this cost?

- poor and middle class
- wealthy
- government elite

12. The hidden costs of government are a back door invisible tax. True False

13. How many men both signed the Declaration of Independence and attended the Constitutional Convention?

- 2
- 4
- 6
- 8
- 10
- 12
- 20
- 24

14. Six of our nation's wealthiest counties in the country are suburbs of:

- New York City
- Philadelphia
- Los Angeles
- Washington DC
- Chicago
- Seattle

15. Why is the money there?

- natural resources
- technology
- banking
- power in hands of elite

16. We have lost sight of what a "right" is! A right is:

- Something the government must provide to you!
- Something the government cannot do to you!

17. When we followed the Constitution more faithfully, we had more freedom and prosperity.

- True
- False

❖ Pause and ponder. What can you do to make things better in our country?