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Representation and Voting in Congress: The Articles of Confederation

Open-Ended Response Questions

1. If you were a representative from a smaller state during the time of the Articles of Confederation, how would you justify the equal representation system in Congress to your colleagues from larger states?
2. Discuss the impact of the requirement for unanimous agreement on the effectiveness of the central government under the Articles of Confederation.
3. Imagine you are a delegate at the Constitutional Convention in 1787. What changes would you propose regarding representation and voting in Congress to address the weaknesses of the Articles of Confederation?
4. How did the issues of representation and voting in Congress contribute to the decision to replace the Articles of Confederation with the United States Constitution?

