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| Class Notes / PowerPoint Presentation / Textbook Notes  Mr. Kay’s  American Government Class  Name:  Class:  Period:  Date: 010/30  Chapter 5 Section 2: | |
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| *Questions/Main Ideas:* |  |
| *Objectives* | 1. Describe the structure of the government set up under the Articles of Confederation. 2. Explain why the weaknesses of the Articles led to a critical period for the country in the 1780s. 3. Describe how a growing need for a stronger national government led to plans for a Constitutional Convention. |
| Key Terms/People |  |
| **Articles of Confederation:** | * the agreement, effective in 1781, that established the first central government of the United States |
| **ratification:** | * formal approval of a proposal |
| **Introduction** | **Relations with Other Countries Explain?** |
| **Trouble with Britain** |  |
| **Trade with Britain** |  |
| **Trade with Spain**  **Impact of Closed Markets** |  |
| **Trade among States** | **Explain the Economic Problems** |
| **Inflation** |  |
| **Weak Economy** |  |
| **Shays’s Rebellion**  **Calls for Change**  **Weaknesses of the Articles**  **Problems with the Articles** | **Heavy Debts for Farmers**  **Farmers Rebel**  **Shays’s Defeat** |
| Review Question  What were the main reasons to eliminating the Articles of Confederation? (At least two complete sentences)  **Summary/Reflection/Analysis (At least three complete sentences in length)** | | |