

## Chapter #10: Launching the New Ship of State – Big Picture Ideas

1. Alexander Hamilton, get the U.S. on a solid foothold. With the Bill of Rights quickly ratified, the top problem the new nation faced was financial in nature.
2. Secretary of State Alexander Hamilton developed a plan that included (a) starting a national tariff, (b) starting a tax on whiskey, (c) setting up a national bank, and (d) paying off the national debt.
3. Politics quickly fell into two camps: (a) those who followed Thomas Jefferson became the “Democratic-Republicans” and (b) those who followed Alexander Hamilton became the “Federalists.”
4. Turmoil broke out Europe with the French Revolution, mostly between England and France. The U.S. nearly got sucked into European issues, but both Washington and John Adams kept the America out of war. This was best for the U.S.

### IDENTIFICATIONS:

Washington’s Cabinet

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Judiciary Act of 1789

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Federalists

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Democratic-Republicans

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Hamilton’s vision vs. Jefferson’s vision

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*Report on Manufactures and Report on the Public Credit*

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Jay's Treaty

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Pinckney's Treaty

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Washington's Farewell Address

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Midnight appointments

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Revolution of 1800

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Judiciary Act of 1801

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XYZ Affair

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*Chisholm v Georgia*

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#### **GUIDED READING QUESTIONS:**

##### **Washington for President**

Know: George Washington, Cabinet, Thomas Jefferson, Alexander Hamilton, Henry Knox

1. Was Washington an important president? Explain.

##### **The Bill of Rights**

Know: James Madison, Ninth Amendment, Tenth Amendment, Judiciary Act, John Jay

2. What important steps were taken by the first congress?

##### **Hamilton Revives the Corpse of Public Credit**

Know: Funding at Par, Assumption of State Debts

3. How did Alexander Hamilton's economic plans lead to the District of Columbia?

##### **Customs Duties and Excise Taxes**

Know: Revenue Tariffs, Protective Tariffs, Excise Taxes

4. Explain Hamilton's overall economic plan for America.

### **Hamilton Battles Jefferson for a Bank**

Know: Bank of the United States, Strict Construction, Loose Construction, Elastic Clause

5. How did the issue of the Bank of the United States reveal a difference in understanding about the Constitution between Jefferson and Hamilton?

### **Mutinous Moonshiners in Pennsylvania**

Know: Whiskey Rebellion

6. Was the Whiskey Rebellion a victory for freedom, order, or both? Explain.

### **The Emergence of Political Parties**

Know: Factions, Parties

7. Why did political parties develop during George Washington's presidency? Were they good or bad?

### **The Impact of the French Revolution**

Know: Democratic-Republicans, Federalists, French Revolution, Reign of Terror

8. In what way did the French Revolution expose the differing views of Democratic-Republicans and Federalists?

### **Washington's Neutrality Proclamation**

Know: Franco-American Alliance, Neutrality Proclamation, Citizen Genet

9. Explain the reasoning for and against Washington's Neutrality Proclamation.

### **Embroidments with Britain**

Know: Anthony Wayne, Battle of Fallen Timbers, Treaty of Greenville

10. How did British actions towards Native Americans and American merchant ships incite many Americans?

### **Jay's Treaty and Washington's Farewell**

Know: Jay's Treaty, Farewell Address

11. Did John Jay betray American interests in Jay's Treaty.

### **John Adams Becomes President**

Know: John Adams, High Federalists

12. What handicaps did John Adams face as he became president?

### **Unofficial Fighting with France**

Know: John Marshall, XYZ Affair, "Millions for Defense, but Not One Cent for Tribute

13. What French actions brought America close to war in the closing years of the 18th century?

### **Adams Puts Patriotism above Party**

Know: Napoleon Bonaparte, Convention of 1800

14. How did avoiding war with France hurt John Adams' political career?

### **The Federalist Witch Hunt**

Know: Alien Laws, Sedition Act

15. Explain the reasons for the passage of the Alien and Sedition Acts.

### **The Virginia (Madison) and Kentucky (Jefferson) Resolutions**

Know: Compact Theory, Virginia and Kentucky Resolutions, Nullification

16. Which was more dangerous to the US Constitution: the Alien and Sedition Acts or the Virginia and Kentucky Resolutions? Explain.

### **Federalists versus Democratic-Republicans**

17. What were some key differences between Federalists and Democratic Republicans?