**Chapter 3: The Constitution**

**Section 2: Formal Amendments (pg. 78-83)**

***Main Idea:***As the nation continues to grow and evolve so must our laws. Article V outlines the process in which amendments can formally change the written language of the Constitution. The concepts of federalism and an can understanding of the process of formal ratification allows us to see why only seventeen amendments have been added to the Constitution since its introduction in 1789.

***Identify*** and ***define*** the two ways in which the Constitution can be changed or amended:

**Formal Amendment Process**

***Define***the term **amendment**:

***Define*** the term ***formal amendment***:

***Identify*** the ways in which article V of the Constitution provides two methods for proposing amendments and two methods for ratifying amendments:

* **Proposing Amendments**:
* **Ratifying Amendments**:

**Federalism and Popular Sovereignty**

***Describe*** what action the amending of the Constitution represents:

**Proposed Amendments**

***Describe*** what article V lists asthe only real restriction the Constitution places on proposed amendments:

***Identify*** the role the President plays in the amendment process:

***Describe*** what happens when a state rejects a proposed amendment:

* Once a state approves an amendment can that decision later be reversed?

***Identify*** the amount of joint resolutions that failed to become formal amendments to the constitution:

***Describe*** four examples of proposed amendments that passes through Congress but filed to be ratified:

1. ***Amendments***

***Identify*** the number of amendments contained within the constitution:

***Define*** the term **Bill of Rights**:

Using the chart at the top of page 82 please ***describe*** the subject that each amendment contained in the Bill of Rights in the Constitution focuses on:

**Amendment I**:

**Amendment II**:

**Amendment III**:

**Amendment IV**:

**Amendment V**:

**Amendment VI**:

**Amendment VII**:

**Amendment VIII**:

**Amendment VIIII**:

**Amendment X**:

***Identify*** some of the amendments that have been passed since the introduction of the original bill of Rights in 1789