**Study Guide**

**Foundations of American Government**

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Key Terms

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Features of a state

Power

Policy

politics

State

Sovereignty

Legitimacy

Divine right of kings

Social contract theory

Monarchy

Dictatorship

Oligarchy

autocracy

democracy

Direct democracy

Republic

Representative democracy

Unitary system

Federal system

federalism

Confederal system

Presidential system

Parliamentary system

Constitution

Ideal

Liberty

Equality

Self-government

Majority rule

Minority rights

Liberal democracy

Free enterprise

Bicameral

Magna Carta

The Mayflower Compact

First and Second Continental Congress

Shay’s Rebellion

Powers under the Articles of Confederation

Framers

Virginia Plan

New Jersey Plan

Great Compromise

3/5s Compromise

federalists

antifederalists

popular sovereignty

Bill of Rights

Limited government

Separation of powers

Checks and balances

Preamble

Constitution

Veto

Judicial review

Judicial activism

Federalism

Supremacy Clause

Amendment process

Constitutional Amendment

5th amendment

15th amendment

1st amendment

21st amendment

Executive agreement

Jurisdiction

Political parties

Cabinet

Gridlock

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Expressed powers

Delegated powers

Implied powers

Inherent powers

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Full faith and credit clause

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Interstate compact

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Doctrine of nullification

Doctrine of secession

Cooperative federalism

Creative federalism

Fiscal federalism

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Categorical grants

Block grants

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