

# Analysis of the Federalist vs. Anti-Federalist Debate

1. What are the PRIMARY arguments of the Federalists in support of the Constitution?
2. What do the Federalists see as the purpose of government?
3. Why do the Federalists believe a strong central government is necessary?
4. What are the PRIMARY concerns with the Constitution expressed by Anti-Federalists?
5. What is the Anti-Federalist opinion of the way the Constitution has been presented for ratification and the tactics of Federalists?
6. What is the general tone of the Anti-Federalist response?
7. Which side do you feel has the stronger argument? Why? (Use evidence from the documents!)