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Content Study Guide: Topic 4 Lesson 3: Ratifying the Constitution

Directions: Answer the questions as you read about the arguments over the ratification of the Constitution on pages 123-129. *Answer in complete sentences unless it states to list.*

Level One: Right There Questions: The answers to these questions are stated directly in the text.

1. What does it mean to ratify the Constitution?

2. Who were the main Federalists, and what was their position on the Constitution?

3. What was the chief argument of the Antifederalists?

4. How was the Constitution ratified by the states?

5. How was the Constitution amended between 1789 and 1791?

6. List some of the freedom under the Bill of Rights.

7. What are some of the freedoms that the Fifth Amendment protects?

Level Two: Putting it together: The answers to these questions are not stated directly in the text. The text gives you some clues, but you'll need your own ideas too.

8. Would you have been a Federalist or an Antifederalist? Why?

Level Three: On Your Own: Draw from own beliefs and experiences to answer this question.

9. Which of the rights in the Bill of Rights do you think are most important? Provide reasons why you believe those rights are important. The Bill of Rights can be found on pages 892-893.
