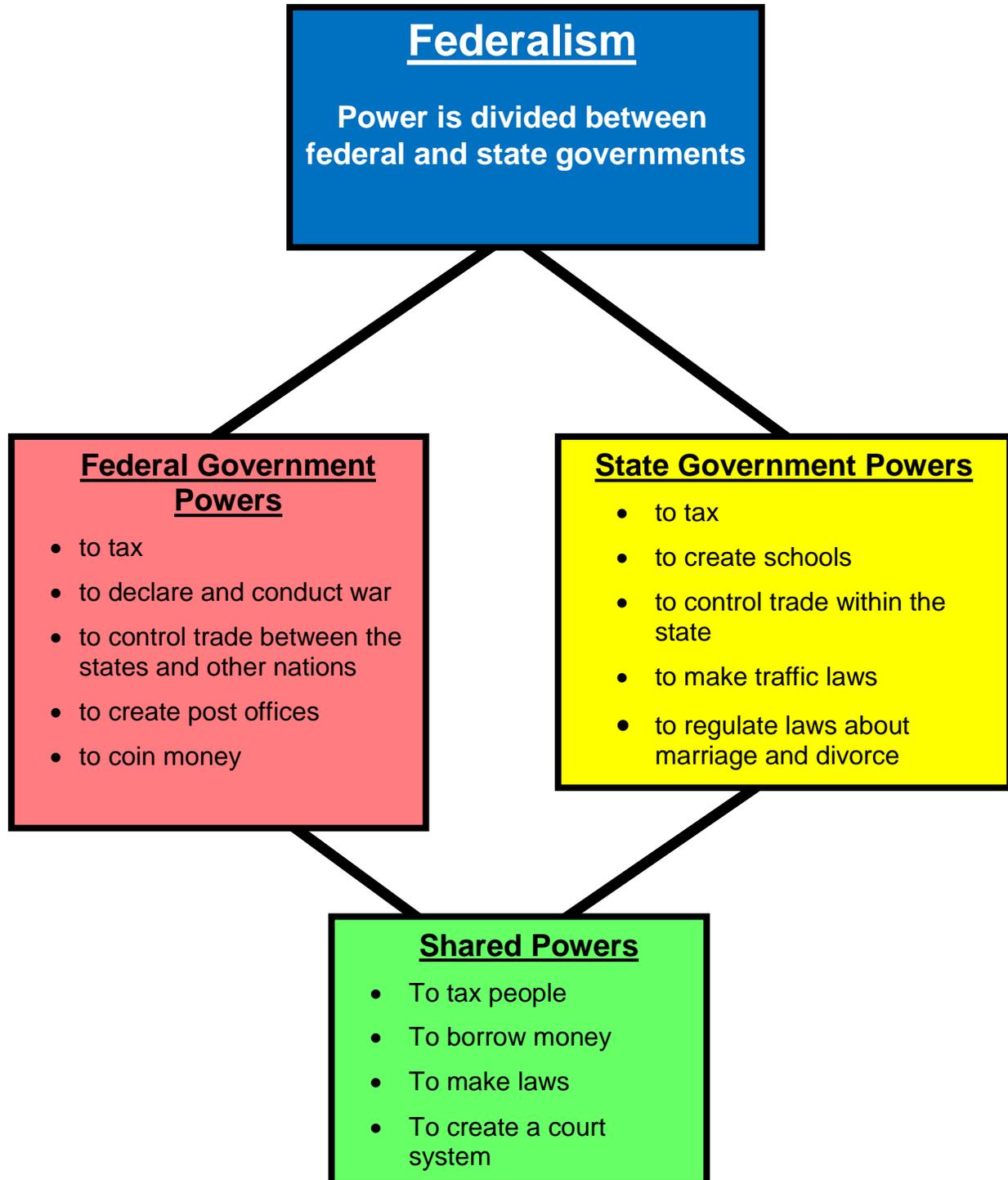


Graphic Organizer



Big Ideas Card

Big Ideas of Lesson 4, Unit 7

1. Federalism is a constitutional principle in which power is divided between the federal, state, and local governments.
2. The federal (national) government holds certain powers described in the Constitution. For example, the federal government has the power to declare and conduct war, control trade between the states and other nations, create post offices, and coin money.
3. Powers not given to the federal government are reserved for state governments. For example, the state governments have the power to create schools, control trade within the state, make traffic laws, and regulate laws about marriage and divorce.
4. Both state and federal governments share some powers like taxing and spending.
5. Federalism serves to limit the power of government.

Word Cards

Word Cards from previous lessons needed for this lesson:

- Constitution– Word Card #7 from Lesson 2

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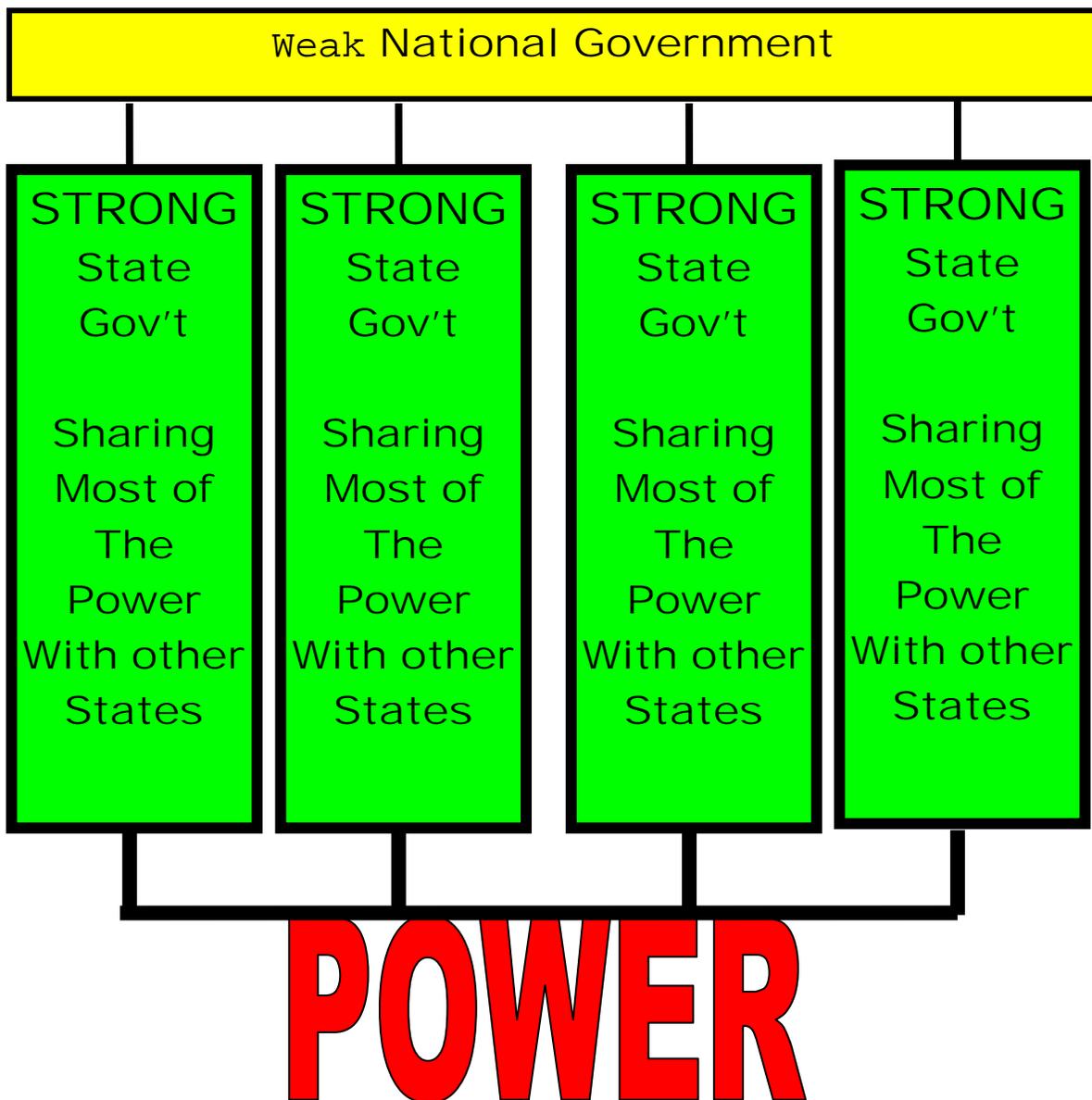


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divided between the federal
government and state governments

Example: Federalism helps to limit the power
of government.

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Organization of the Government under *The Articles of Confederation*



Organization of the Government under *The Constitution* Sample Graphic Organizer





Source: <http://www.cr.nps.gov/museum/exhibits/revwar/image_gal/indeimg/armchair.html>.

"I have often looked at that picture behind the president without being able to tell whether it was a rising or setting sun. Now at length I have the happiness to know that it is indeed a rising, not a setting sun."

— Ben Franklin as he signed the Constitution

Examining the Consequences - Replacing the Articles

Short-Term Consequences	Long-Term Consequences

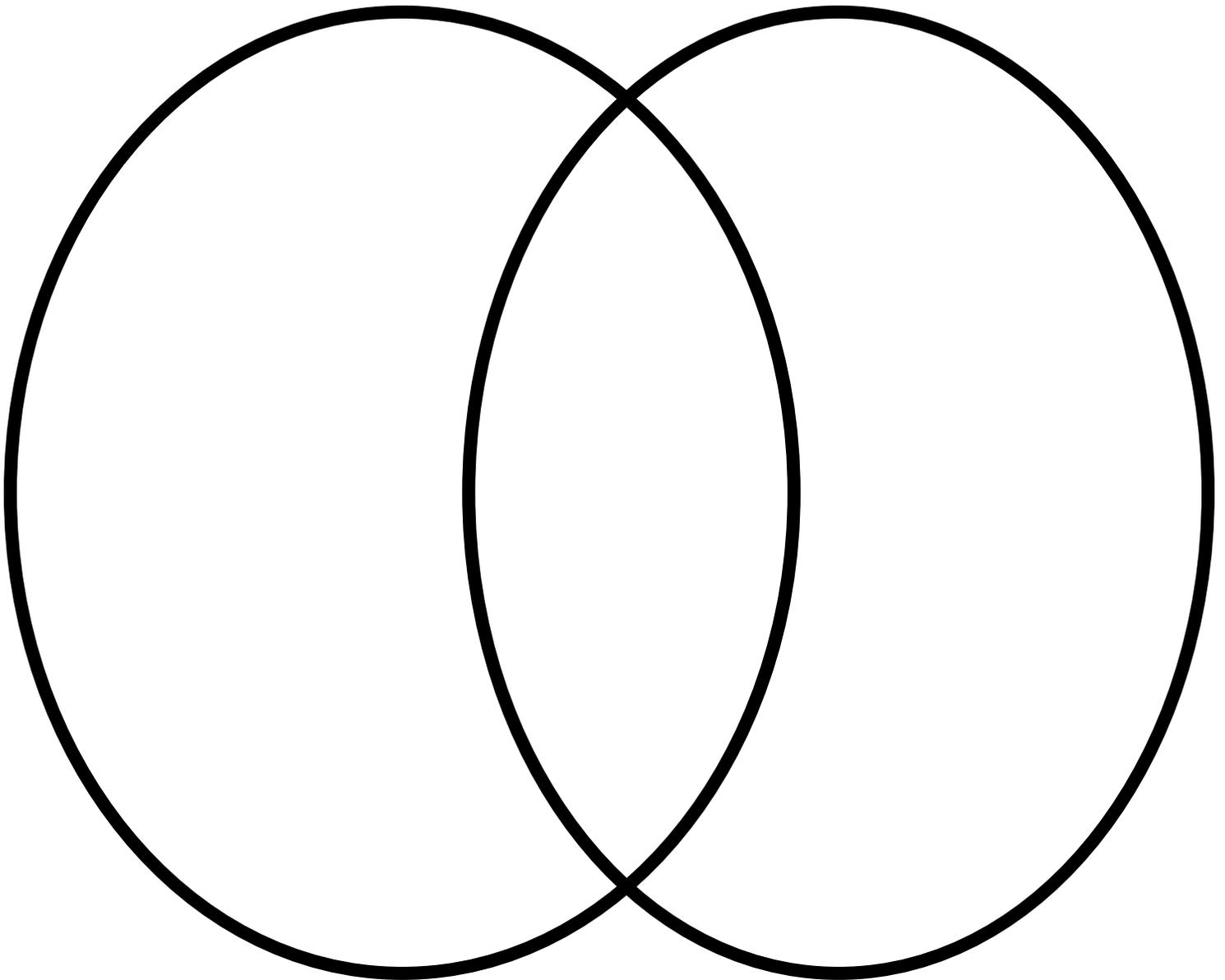
**Examining the Consequences - Replacing the Articles
Sample Answers**

Short-Term Consequences	Long-Term Consequences
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Helped resolved some of the problems the country encountered under the Articles of Confederation.• Created a government with a stronger national government.• People who favored the Constitution worked to get it ratified.• Many people celebrated a new government.• Some of the powers that once belonged to states were given exclusively to the national government.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Constitution has lasted as our frame of government for over 200 years.• The national government continues to share power with the state governments.• Other countries have used the Constitution as a model for their own constitutions.• The national government is stronger than state governments today.• Many of the powers given to the national government in the Constitution are used today.

Assessment
Creating a Venn Diagram

**Federal
Government**

**State
Government**



Assessment

Creating a Venn Diagram – Sample Answers

