**6 Principles of the Constitution**

Complete the notes below about the 6 Principles of the Constitution that create a strong central government, but also give the states/people the ability to govern themselves.

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| **6 Principles of the Constitution** | **What is it?** | **How does this principle strengthen the United States?**  | **Compare: How is this principle similar to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_? (pick something to compare these 6 terms to)** |
| popular sovereignty |  |  |  |
| limited government |  |  |  |
| federalism |  |  |  |
| republicanism |  |  |  |
| separation of powers |  |  |  |
| checks and balances |  |  |  |

***In the table below, illustrate each of the 6 principles of the Constitution in a simple, brief sketch.***

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| popular sovereignty | limited government | federalism |
| republicanism | separation of powers | checks and balances |

**Reflection Questions for the 6 Principles of the Constitution**

1. Which 1 of the 6 principles from the Constitution do you feel helps to create a strong, stable federal government? Explain.
2. Which 1 of the 6 principles from the Constitution ensure that the people will have a voice? Explain.

3. Connect two of the 6 Principles to something we have previously learned (another L.P.). Where did the need for the principle come from?

Ex: Popular Sovereignty to “No taxation without representation”

1.

2.