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1. Explain and provide an example for each of the ways that nations structure relations between central governments and local units:

a. Unitary system - _____

b. Confederal system - _____

c. Federal system - _____

2. Describe how various provisions of the United States Constitution provide a framework for federalism.

Powers of the Federal Gov't	Define	Example
a. Enumerated (expressed)		
b. "necessary & proper"		
c. Elastic		
d. Inherent		
Power of State Gov'ts		
• Reserved		
Shared Powers		
a. Concurrent		
b. Prohibited		

- What is the Supremacy Clause - _____

3. Discuss how, in the early years of the republic, the United States Supreme Court confirmed the authority of the national government, and how that authority was ratified by the Civil War.

Events	How did it increase the authority of the national government?
<i>McCullough v. Maryland</i> (1819) <i>Gibbons v. Ogden</i> (1824)	
State's Rights and the Civil War	

4. Define the terms dual federalism, cooperative federalism, categorical grants, block grants, and fiscal federalism.

- a. dual federalism - _____

- b. cooperative federalism - _____

- c. categorical grants - _____

- d. block grants - _____

- e. fiscal federalism - _____

5. Detail recent Supreme Court rulings that affect the distribution of power between the national government and the states.

Immigration	
Health-Care Reform	
Same-Sex Marriage	
The Voting Rights Act	

Federalism - How do the local, state, and national governments meet the needs of the people? What is the appropriate level of government that should address the multitude of social, economic, and security concerns that our nation faces?

Enduring Understanding: Important decisions of government are made at local, state, and federal levels.

- ✓ Should the state or federal government have more power?
- ✓ What powers does the federal government share with state and local governments?
- ✓ In what ways does the federal government try to influence policy that is traditionally handled at state and local levels?
- ✓ How similar are the structures of state and local governments?
- ✓ How does local government work in Greene?
- ✓ How can a citizen try to make policy change at a local level? Is federalism a style of government that will work in the 21st century?

