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| Class Notes / PowerPoint Presentation / Textbook Notes  **American Government**  Name:  Class:  Date:  **Chapter 4: Federalism / Section 1: Powers Shared & Divided** | |
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| **Objectives** | 1. Define *federalism* and explain why the Framers chose this system. 2. Identify powers delegated to and denied to the National Government, and powers reserved for and denied to the States. 3. Explain the difference between *exclusive* and *concurrent* powers. 4. Examine the Constitution as “the supreme Law of the Land.” |
| * **Essential Question** | **Is the federal system the best way to govern the United States?** |
| * **Focus Question** | **In what ways does the Constitution support a Federal government system?** |
| **Key Terms** |  |
| **federalism** | a system of government in which a written constitution divides power between a central government and several regional governments |
| **division of powers** | assigning some powers to the federal government and others to the States |
| **delegated powers** | powers granted by the Constitution |
| **expressed powers** | powers specified clearly in the Constitution |
| **implied powers** | powers not specifically mentioned, but suggested by the expressed powers |
| **inherent powers** | powers that belong to all independent national governments |
| **reserved powers** | powers not given to the national government or denied to the States |
| **exclusive powers** | powers that can only be used by the national government |
| **concurrent powers** | powers shared by the national and State governments |
| **Supremacy Clause** | the provision declaring the Constitution to be the supreme law of the  land |
| **Introduction** | **How is power divided between the Federal Government and the States?** |
| **Federalism** |  |
| **Inherent Powers** |  |
| **Denied Powers** |  |
| **State Reserved Powers** |  |
| **State Reserved Powers**  **(CONT’D)** | |
| **Powers Denied**  **to the States** | |
| **Concurrent Powers** | |
| **Sharing Responsibility** | |

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| **Supreme Law** |  |
| **ESSENTIAL QUESTION**  **REVIEW** | **Is the federal system the best way to govern the United States? Why or why not?** |