

Student Handout 3: Powers of Government

- Establish a postal system
- Set up local governments
- Collect taxes
- Coin and print money
- Grant patents and copyrights
- Establish and maintain public schools
- Establish federal courts
- Pass marriage and divorce laws
- Set standards of weights and measures
- Regulate immigration
- Regulate trade within the state
- Write business/corporation laws
- Conduct elections
- Make and enforce laws
- Regulate interstate and foreign trade
- Establish and maintain courts
- Provide for public welfare
- Declare war and make peace
- Borrow money
- Ratify constitutional amendments
- Govern territories and admit new states
- Raise and support armed forces
- Charter banks