

**ARTICLES OF CONFEDERATION GRAPHIC ORGANIZER—
TEACHER ANSWER KEY**

CONFEDERATION: a group of states united under a weak central government.

State Government Powers	National Government Powers
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • taxation • create a state court system • enforce laws passed by Congress • all powers not delegated to the national government 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • limited powers • declare war and wage war • make treaties • settle disputes between states • petition, or request, money from the states (but no power to collect) • direct the operations of land and naval forces
Weaknesses of the Articles of Confederation	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • national government cannot impose or collect taxes • no national currency • no national court system • no executive branch • no power to regulate trade among the states • one vote per state regardless of population • two-thirds majority (nine of thirteen states) needed to pass laws • unanimous consent (thirteen states) needed to amend the Articles of Confederation 	