**On One Condition**

As we have studied, the Constitution was a much debated, brilliantly and carefully written document, but there were still several key colonial leaders who were unwilling to sign on the dotted line.  Review pages 56-58 and 76 of your text to answer the following questions:

* What two parties emerged as framers of the Constitution sought ratification?  What were their positions on the Constitution?
* What two features of the Constitution were cause for non-ratification?
* What two states refused to ratify until their concerns were addressed?  Why might their failure to ratify have doomed the Constitution?
* What ONE condition was met to achieve ratification?  Why was this one condition considered so critical for the success of our new government?