

PROMPT: Describe the nation in the post revolutionary period.

THESIS: With the conclusion of the War of American Independence, a new age of socio-political dominance through Enlightenment ideals was on the doorstep. Yet, even with these new theories of equality and fairness, the United States was faced with constant challenges of preserving the inalienable natural rights of the people and creating a nation that would not did integrate into the abyss of totalitarianism and monarchial authority. Although post-war America adopted the constitution of the United States to correct the mistakes of the Articles of Confederation and Perpetual Union after less than a decade of adhering to this template which sat a new standard for a new nation, the United States faced early challenges under the Articles that saw the arrival of much confusion and distress for the American people. Through an analysis of the harsh economic conditions that plagued post-war states and citizens, the new social standards that allowed for the embodiment of Enlightenment theories, and a shift in political idealism that, while beneficial to the new country, also created competition between this young country's leading parties, it is evident that these United States of America confronted conditions and problems that possessed the ability to fundamentally alter the direction of the country, and only strong perseverance on behalf of the politicians was able to be overcome.