

WQ: States Rule

Name: _____

Instructions: Use this worksheet to collect your answers from the WebQuest. NOTE: There may be questions on this worksheet that are not online.

Slide 1: Every State is Unique!

1. Year your state become a state: _____
2. Name of your state's capital:

3. Population of your state:
_____ people
4. Your state's major industries:
5. Your two favorite facts about your state:
A.

B.

Slide 2: Every State is the Same

1. Each state has a special document all its own. What is it?
2. What is the model for all state governments?
3. Three branches all state governments have:
A.

B.

C.

Slide 3: States Make Laws

1. Minimum wage in your state: \$ _____/hr
2. Is it higher than the federal minimum wage?
☐ Yes ☐ No
3. What happens if a state's minimum wage is lower than the federal minimum wage?
4. Does your state have some kind of ban on texting while driving? ☐ Yes ☐ No
5. Why have most states passed a ban on texting while driving?
6. Based on what you've seen out in the world, is the law in your state working? If your state has no law, should it pass one?

Slide 4: Your State's Lawmakers

What parts make up your state legislature?	# of Legislators

Describe one subject your legislature has passed a law about lately:

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Slide 5: States Provide Services

Three (3) services your state provides to citizens:

- A.
- B.
- C.

Slide 6: States Work with the Feds

1. Explain the purpose of the NTHMP:
2. The three federal agencies that are partners in the program:

A.

B.

C.
3. Number of states and territories that are partners in the program:
4. Is the state or territory where you live a partner? ☐ Yes ☐ No
5. Name of a program in your state:

6. Purpose of the program:
7. Federal agency that manages the program:

8. State agency that manages the program:

Slide 7: Your State's Leader

1. Your governor's name:
2. Two things your governor thinks are important:
A.

B.
3. Two of your governor's recent activities:
A.

B.

Slide 8: Your State's Highest Court

1. Name of your state's highest court:
2. Number of judges on your state's highest court:
3. Are they called judges or some other title?

Slide 9: State Citizen Power

1. Percent of eligible voters in your state that turned out for the 2014 general election:
2. What is your opinion of this number? Does it seem high or low to you? ☐ High ☐ Low
Your opinion:
4. Are people in your state exercising their citizen power as well as they could? ☐ Yes ☐ No
5. Think of one argument that might convince more people to vote. Write it down.