**The First Political Parties Develop**

**Directions:**

Read the information below on Hamilton and Jefferson. Use the information below to place each issue in the correct column

**Alexander Hamilton-**

* First Secretary of Treasury
* Favored a balanced economy of farming, trade, finance, and manufacturing as well as government support of trade, finance & manufacturing
* Trusted only rich, educated, and socially established people to govern
* Favored a strong central government
* Looked for support in wealthy cities
* Organized a political group of followers called the Federalist Party

**Thomas Jefferson-**

* Disliked the world of finance and commerce and sympathized with disadvantaged farmers
* Had a deep faith in common persons
* Favored a weak central government and strong state governments
* Believed cities corrupted people through ignorance and poverty
* Organized the Republican Party (not the same as the Republican party of today)

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| **ISSUES** | **HAMILTON-Federalist Party** | **JEFFERSON-Democratic-Republican Party** |
| Common people/  Educated, wealthy |  |  |
| Strict construction/  Loose construction |  |  |
| Weak Government/  Strong government |  |  |
| Agricultural Economy/  Balanced Economy |  |  |
| Taxes, National Bank, Credit/  No Taxes, No National Bank |  |  |



Answer the following questions

1. What were the four departments in Washington’s Cabinet in 1789?
2. How many Cabinet departments do we have today?
3. What is the newest Department to be added?
4. How many states were a part of the first Congress?
5. What was the Vice President’s only job at the time?
6. What did the Judiciary Act of 1789 do?
7. What were two parts of Alexander Hamilton’s economic plan?

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1. The Whiskey Rebellion. Why were farmers in Western Pennsylvania angry?
2. Who did the farmers attack? What happened?
3. Who took command during the Whiskey Rebellion?
4. How did it end?
5. Which political party would you say that you are a part of? Why?