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Congress and the first five presidents made decisions establishing a strong government that helped the nation grow in size and power.

All of the first five presidents were Virginians except for John Adams.

Presidential Accomplishments

George Washington

Federal court system was established.
Political parties grew out of the disagreements between Hamilton and Jefferson over the proper role of the national government.
The Bill of Rights was added to the United States Constitution.
Plans were begun for development of a national capital in Washington, D.C, (Benjamin Banneker, and African American astronomer and surveyor, helped complete the design for the city).

John Adams

A two-party system emerged during his administration.

James Madison

The War of 1812 against the English caused European nations to gain respect for the United States.

Thomas Jefferson

He bought Louisiana from France (Louisiana Purchase) and sent Lewis and Clark west of the Mississippi River to explore.

James Monroe

He wrote the Monroe Doctrine warning European nations not to interfere in the Western Hemisphere (Americans).

The student will demonstrate knowledge of the challenges faced by the new nation by d) describing the major accomplishments of the first five presidents of the United States