Brutus No. 1 ~ Anti-Federalist argument against the ratification of the new Constitution written by Judge Robert Yates, a delegate from New York.

Go to: http://teachingamericanhistory.org/library/document/brutus-i/

As you read Brutus No. 1, answer the questions below on your own sheet of paper.

1. Why does the last paragraph of Article 1, Section 8, and Article 6 of the Constitution scare Yates so much? Explain your answer.

2. What does Yates say about Congress's power to tax?

3. Why do you think having a standing army scared Yates and other Anti-Federalists so much?

4. What does Yates fear will happen to the role of state governments? Give examples from the reading that support your answer.

5. Does Yates believe that a free, democratic government can work with such a large country? What historic examples does he use when explaining his answer?