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The framers of the Constitution were well-educated men. They were familiar with the traditions of British and American government. Many of them had read the latest works of Europe's leading political philosophers. In creating the Constitution, the framers made good use of their rich knowledge and experiences. The following ideas, documents, people, and philosophies went into the writing of the Constitution. Please explain how each helped in the building of the Constitution. *Bullet 3-5 key facts*

1. Magna Carta:

2. English Bill of Rights:

3. League of the Iroquois: (pages 45,55, 198)

4. House of Burgesses:

5. Mayflower Compact:

6. The Enlightenment:

7. John Locke:

8. Baron de Montesquieu: (Separation of Powers)

9. Federalism:

10. Separation of Powers:

11. Checks and Balances: