**U.S. History**

Copy the following title and prompt into your journal. Answer the prompt in three to five sentences.

**Sp24: “Weak Government”**

The first constitution the United States adopted was the Articles of Confederation. The Articles created a very weak central government, especially compared with the monarchy of Britain. Considering the government under which most of the colonists had spent their lives, why do you think the writers of the Articles wanted such a weak central government?