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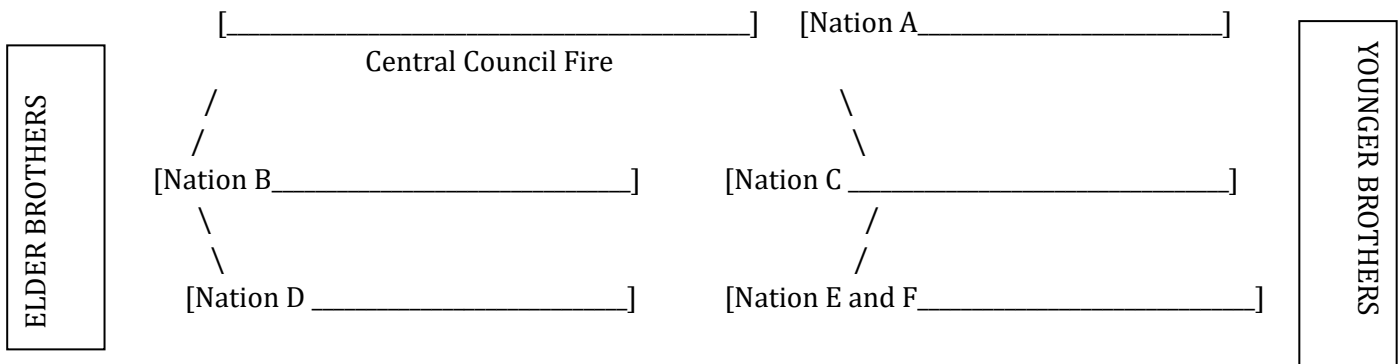
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Handout A: The Haudenosaunee Grand Council – Fill-in Diagram

Instructions: Use what you've learned from the reading and class discussion to complete the diagram and questions below.

Part 1: Structure of the Grand Council

Directions: Label the components of the Grand Council:



The five nations that formed the original Haudenosaunee Confederacy were:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

Part 2: Key Features of the Council

- Number of Chiefs (Hoyaneh): _____

- Who chooses the chiefs? _____

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Can chiefs be removed? If so, by whom?

How are decisions made? (Circle one):

a) Majority Vote

b) Consensus

c) President Decides

Part 3: Reflection Questions

1. Why do you think the Haudenosaunee required consensus rather than majority vote in their council?

2. What advantages and disadvantages might consensus decision-making have in government?

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Handout B: Symbolism in the Great Law of Peace

Instructions: Review each symbol below and discuss its meaning. Add any additional notes based on class discussion.

<u>Symbol</u>	<u>Meaning</u>
White Pine	Unity, peace
5 Arrows	Strength in unity
Eagle atop the tree	Vigilance, protection
Wampum Belt	Record of law and agreement

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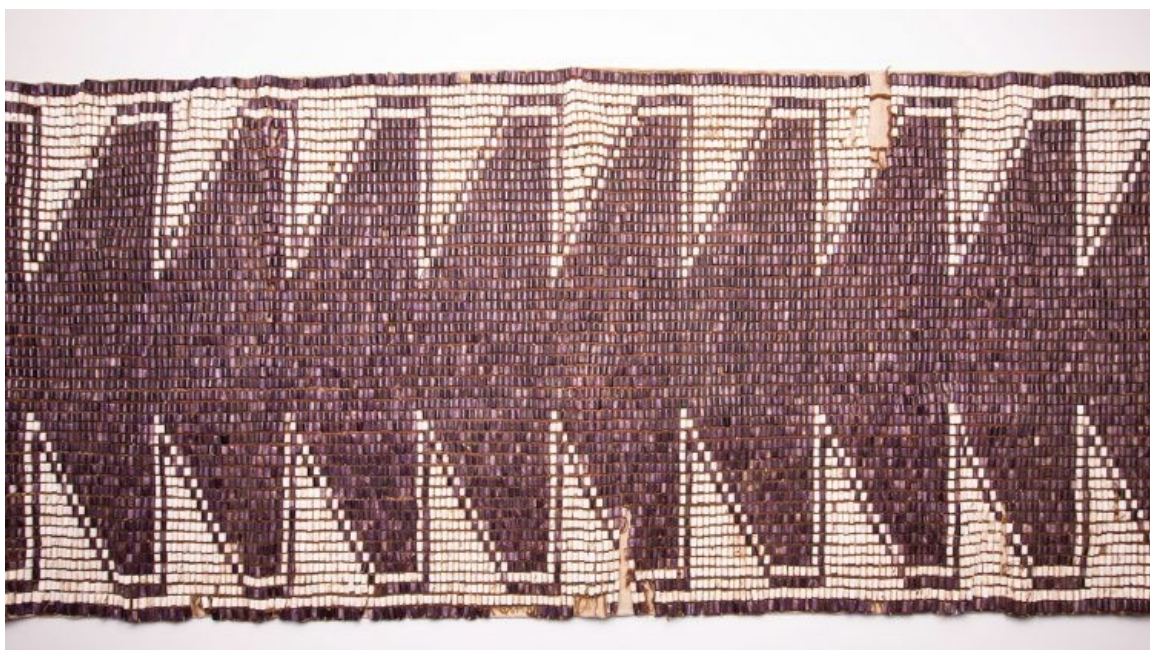
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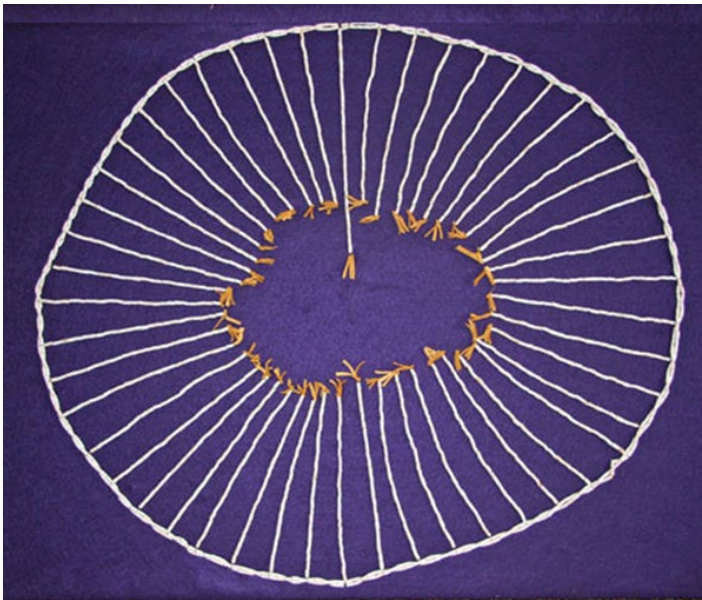
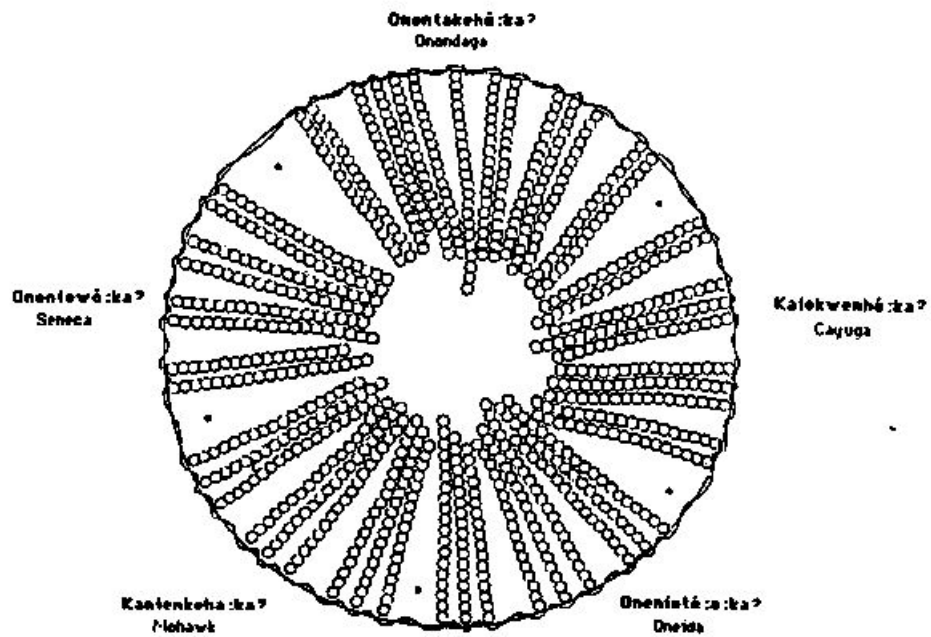
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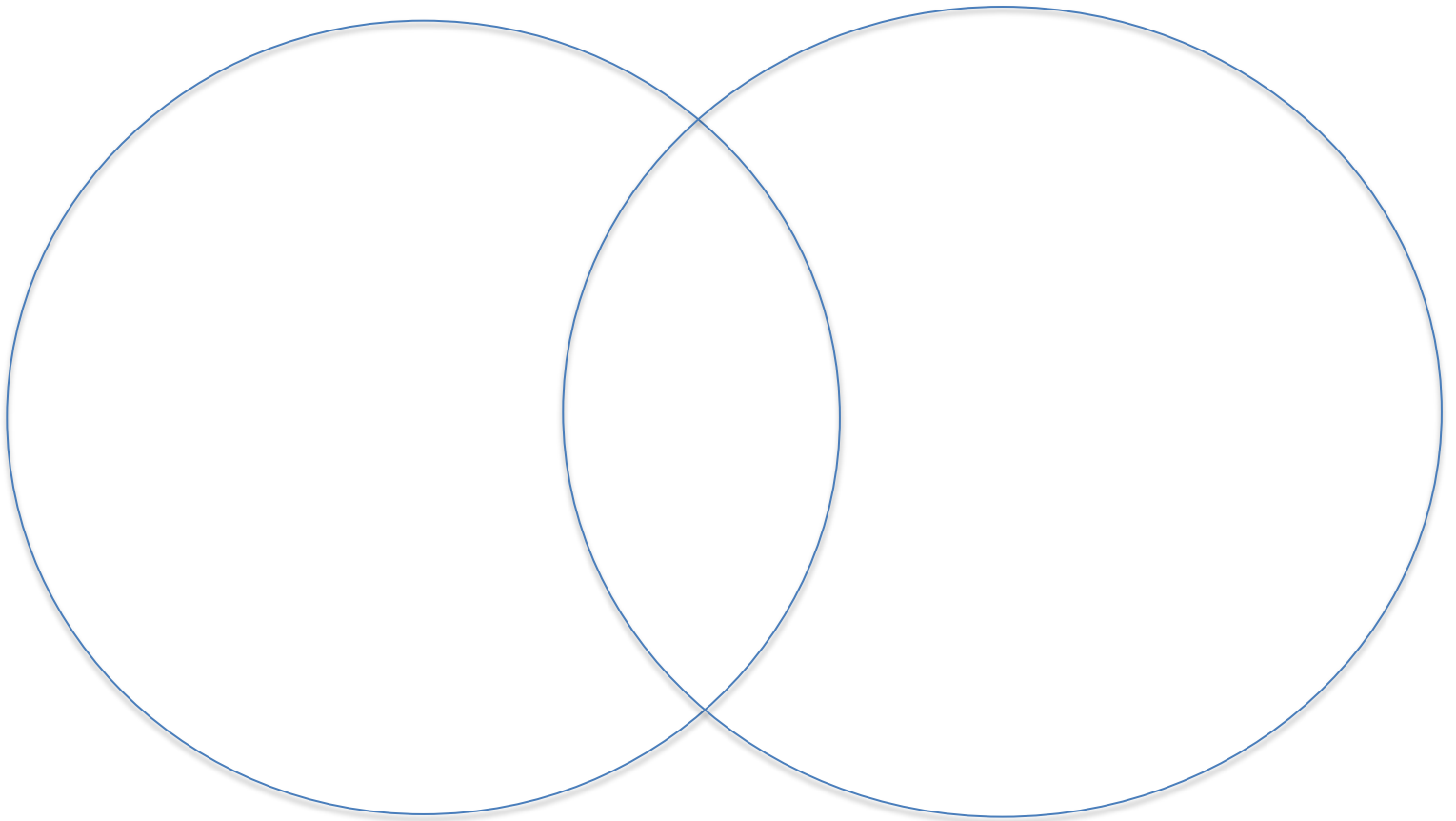
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Handout C: Haudenosaunee vs. U.S. Government – Venn Diagram

Instructions: Compare and contrast the two systems of government. Fill in the Venn diagram below with at least three unique traits for each side and at least three shared traits in the center.

[Haudenosaunee Government] [Shared Traits] [U.S. Government]

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Handout D: Franklin on the Iroquois

Read the following quote and respond to the questions below.

"It would be a strange thing... if six Nations of ignorant savages should be capable of forming a scheme for such a union... and yet a like union should be impracticable for ten or a dozen English colonies." — Benjamin Franklin, 1751

1. What does this quote suggest about Franklin's view of the Iroquois Confederacy?

2. How might this quote be used to argue that the Haudenosaunee influenced the U.S. Constitution?

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Handout E: Final Reflection Prompts

Choose one of the following prompts. Write a thoughtful paragraph response. Be prepared to share your ideas in class.

1. How could the U.S. benefit from adopting more Haudenosaunee values or structures?

2. What does it mean to be a peacemaker in government today?

3. Create a symbol for peace and explain its meaning.
