

## Activity Six: Simon Bolivar

### INDIVIDUAL REPORT

Compare some of the unique features of the government designed by Simon Bolivar with the government of the United States. Bolivar's government had: (1) the division of citizens into active and passive, with those lacking certain economic and literary qualifications being labeled "passive citizens" and as a result being unable to vote; (2) a president appointed for life by the people; and (3) a hereditary senate elected by the Congress. Which government is more democratic and why? Justify your arguments with evidence.

#### Evaluation Criteria:

- Compares Bolivar's concept of passive and active citizens with present-day United States society
- Compares the governmental structure proposed by Bolivar to the structure of the present-day United States government
- Specifies which government is more democratic and justifies your choice with at least three reasons
- Explains to what extent Simon Bolivar's ideas about government were democratic

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EC	Exceeds EC	Meets the EC	Progressing towards the EC's	Minimally addresses the EC's
Compares Bolivar's concept of passive and active citizens with present-day United States society  (25%)	Compares Bolivar's concept of passive and active citizens with present-day United States society including specific examples and incorporating information from the Resource Cards  (25%)	Compares Bolivar's concept of passive and active citizens with present-day United States society, including specific examples  (21%)	Compares Bolivar's concept of passive and active citizens with present-day United States society in general terms.  (18%)	Comparison is unclear or incomplete  (15%)
Compares the governmental structure proposed by Bolivar to the structure of the present-day United States government  (25%)	Compares the governmental structure proposed by Bolivar to the structure of the present-day United States government, with specific examples and incorporating information from the Resource Cards  (25%)	Compares the governmental structure proposed by Bolivar to the structure of the present-day United States government with specific examples  (21%)	Compares the governmental structure proposed by Bolivar to the structure of the present-day United States government only in general terms  (18%)	Comparison is unclear or incomplete  (15%)
Specifies which government is more democratic and justifies your choice with at least three reasons  (25%)	Specifies which government is more democratic and justifies your choice with more than three reasons  (25%)	Specifies which government is more democratic and justifies your choice with three reasons  (21%)	Specifies which government is more democratic and justifies your choice with two reasons  (18%)	Specifies which government is more democratic and justifies your choice with one reason  (15%)
Explains to what extent Simon Bolivar's ideas about government were democratic  (25%)	Explains to what extent Simon Bolivar's ideas about government were democratic, specifically mentioning Bolivar's Central Government plan  (25%)	Explains to what extent Simon Bolivar's ideas about government were democratic  (21%)	Explains to what extent Simon Bolivar's ideas about government were democratic only in general terms  (21%)	Explanation is unclear or incomplete  (15%)