

Trying Self Government

Name: _____

Argument Writing. Read the prompt. Follow the directions to draft your speech.

A convention has been called to revise the Articles of Confederation and your state has chosen *you* to attend. When you arrive, you're taken aback to learn that the other delegates want to throw the whole document out and build a new government from scratch. You know the Articles have their issues, but you also remember the reason for drafting a document that kept the central government weak.

So, what do you say?

Do you support drafting a new governing document or revising the one the country already has?

Draft a short speech to the other delegates stating your position. In your speech, include at least three reasons to support your position.

