**GUIDED READING EXERCISE**

**Chapter 8—The Early Republic, 1790-1820**

* **What were the most important political, social, diplomatic, and economic changes in the early decades of the American republic?**

***Download and save this document so you can return to it to take notes and later use it for studying.*** *As you read the chapter, fill in the chart below to remind yourself of the most important political, social, diplomatic, and economic changes in the early decades of the nineteenth century. If you copy and paste from the text, make sure you place quotation marks around the copied material; if you are able to describe the changes in your own words, however, you should do so.*

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|  | **Political** | **Social** | **Diplomatic** | **Economic** |
| **The Dilemmas of National Identity** |  |  |  |  |
| **Extending Federal Power** |  |  |  |  |
| **Remaking America’s Economic Character** |  |  |  |  |

*After you have read the chapter, use your notes to compose an essay that answers the question:*

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*Be sure to include an opening, introductory paragraph in which you state your thesis. Then use the body of your essay to provide evidence from the chapter to support that thesis. End by writing a clear conclusion to your essay.*