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THE CONSTITUTION - Web Activities

1. Go to this website ;
http://www.sheppardsoftware.com/usa_game/government/branches_government.htm
read the information and click the yellow arrow to play the game.
2. After you're done with the game listed above, write down your score and list 2 powers for each of the 3 branches (you learn this by playing the game first).

Legislative Branch	Executive Branch	Judicial Branch

3. Play the Checks and Balances game here at this website;
http://www.sheppardsoftware.com/usa_game/government/checks_and_balances.htm
4. Try your best to get all of them right, and list a couple of ways each branch checks the other (you learn this by playing the checks and balances game first).

Legislative Branch checks -

Executive Branch checks –

Judicial Branch checks –

5. Go to this Website and play the activity, try to complete the powers of the President;
http://www.sheppardsoftware.com/usa_game/government/executive_branch.htm

6. After you complete the powers of the president, list them down, and go ahead and try completing the powers of other people in the Executive branch.

President	Vice President	Attorney General	Secretary of Defense	Secretary of State

The Articles of the Constitution

Learn about the Articles of the Constitution below:

7. ARTICLE I sets up the _____ Branch.

8. Congress has many responsibilities. List 3 responsibilities you think are the most important. Provide a reason why you think each responsibility is so important.

A.

B.

C.

9. Check out this web site to learn about the process of CONGRESS' Most important job!

Draw a diagram showing the steps of this important job!

House of Representatives #1 House of Representatives #2

10. The term of service is _____.

11. A Representative must be at least _____ years old.

12. A citizen of the _____ for at least _____.

13. What district do you live in and who is your Representative?

14. Click on your Representative's name. Identify two issues that he/she is currently working on.

a. _____

b. _____

15. There are _____ total Representatives in the United States.

16. How is the number of Representatives is decided?

Try your hand at being a Representative before moving on! **Don't register or log in!**

Senate:

17. The term of service is_____.

18. A Senator must be at least _____ years old and a citizen of the U.S. for at least _____ years.

19. The CURRENT Senators for Michigan are

a. _____

b. _____

20. There are _____ total Senators in the United States.

21. ARTICLE II sets up the _____ Branch.

22. What are the requirements for a person to run for President?

23. . The President has many responsibilities. Prioritize and list 4 responsibilities you think are the most important. Provide a reason why you think each responsibility is so important.

a.

b.

24. What are the next four positions in line if the President cannot serve out his/her term? List each person who currently would be next in line.

1. _____ 3. _____

2. _____ 4. _____

25. What is role of the Electoral College ? When does it meet? How does a person become a member of the EC?

26. How many executive department agencies make up the President's Cabinet?

27. Name the following Secretaries.

Secretary of State - _____

Secretary of Defense - _____

Attorney General - _____

28. Article III sets up the _____ Branch.

29. The judicial power of the United States is given to one _____

Court and _____ (lower) courts that Congress has established.

30. _____ appoints Supreme Court Justices, but

_____ must approve all choices.

31. A Supreme Court Justice serves for _____.

32. There are _____ Justices.

33. List the members of the Supreme Court:

Try your hand in a Supreme Court Case game! Remember - you don't need to log in or register to play the game. Select one case and finish your argument!