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Three Branches of Government Webquest

This Webquest has 4 parts:

- Part 1: Executive Branch
- Part 2: Legislative Branch
- Part 3: Judicial Branch
- Part 4: Branches of Power Game

For Parts 1, 2, and 3, you will use the website
<http://www.congressforkids.net>.

For Part 4 you will use the website
<http://www.usmint.gov/kids/games>.

To get started, hold down the Ctrl key, place the cursor on
<http://www.congressforkids.net> and left click. It will open the website for you. You also need to print the Webquest so that you will have a hard copy to write answers on.

Part 1: Click on the Executive Branch. Read the Introduction and click on “Learn about the Executive Branch”. Read about the Executive Branch then click on “Show What You Know”. Take the True and False quiz below.

1. _____ The President may negotiate treaties.
2. _____ The President is elected for 8 years.
3. _____ The President must approve all bills from Congress.
4. _____ The President can be older than 35.
5. _____ The president can come from England or Canada.

Click on “President’s Job, Part 1” and read about it. Click on “Show What You Know” and take the Multiple Choice quiz by clicking on what you think is the correct answer. Click on “Check Answers” at the bottom of the page.

Click on “President’s Job, Part II” and read about it. Click on “Show what you Know”. Write a description of the duties for each job listed below:

1. Commander in Chief:

2. Chief Executive:

3. Head of State:

4. Chief Legislator:

5. Chief of the Party:

Click on **Solution** to see how you did!

Next, click on “The President’s Cabinet” and read about it. Match the responsibility of the department to the full title of the head of that department. When you are finished, click on “Show What You Know” and roll the cursor over the doors to reveal the full title for that department.

<u>Responsibility</u>	<u>Full Title of that Department</u>
1. Legal Issues	A. Secretary of the Treasury
2. Armed Forces	B. Secretary of the Interior
3. Money	C. Attorney General
4. Foreign Affairs	D. Secretary of Defense
5. U.S. Lands	E. Secretary of State
6. Business	F. Secretary of Labor
7. Farming	G. Secretary of Energy
8. War Veterans	H. Secretary of Commerce
9. U.S. Schools	I. Secretary of Agriculture
10. Research on Energy	J. Secretary of Education
11. Roads, etc.	K. Secretary of Veteran’s Affairs
12. Working Conditions	L. Secretary of Transportation

Part 2: Now let's research the Legislative branch of the United States Government. Return to <http://www.congressforkids.net/> and click on the Legislative Branch. The Legislative branch is made up of two houses: the House of Representatives and the Senate.

The Legislative Branch

House of Representatives	Senate
Number of representatives for each state is based on _____.	Number of Senators for each state is _____.
Today there are about _____ Representatives.	Today there are _____ Senators.
Representatives must be _____ years of age.	Senators must be _____ years of age.
Representatives must be a U.S. citizen for at least _____ years.	Senators must be a U.S. citizen for at least _____ years.
Representatives must live in the _____ that he/she represents.	Senators must live in the _____ that he/she represents.
Only the House of Representatives can introduce _____ bills.	Only the Senate can _____ or _____ treaties and presidential nominations for government offices.
Georgia has _____ Representatives.	Georgia has _____ Senators.
Tate is in the _____ district. _____ is our Representative.	One is _____. The other is _____
Representatives are elected every _____ years.	Senators are elected every _____ years.
Representatives serve for a _____ year term.	Senators serve for a _____ year term.

Part 3: The last branch that we will research is the Judicial Branch. Return again to <http://www.congressforkids.net> and visit the Judicial branch. Read carefully and then fill in the blanks below.

The Supreme Court

1. The Supreme Court usually only hears cases of
----- importance.

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2. What guides Supreme Court decisions?

2 3 4

3. What branch of the government does the Supreme Court head?

5 6

4. Which other U.S. courts must follow Supreme Court decisions? -----, -----, and -----

7 8 9

5. What is the title of a member of the Supreme Court?

10 11 12

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11 2 6 12 7 5 4 3 1 10 9 8

Click on “Learn More” and read about the Justices of the Supreme Court and their jobs.

Click on “Show What you Know” and play the interactive game. You are to put the words in the sentence in order. When you finish, click on “Check” to see if you are correct. Click on “Hint” if you need help.

Part 4: After learning all about the Three Branches of Government, visit <http://www.usmint.gov/kids/games/> and play the Branches of Power Game. Good luck!