



Today's lesson: The Legislative Branch, otherwise known as Congress.

In today's lesson, you will be learning all about one of the three branches of government; the legislative branch. In order to fully understand how the government works, it is important that you understand how each of the three branches works.

Your first task is to answer the pre-lesson questions listed below. Please answer them honestly (this means no looking the answers up online or asking an adult for help!) and to the best of your ability.

Pre-lesson Questions

Directions: Write the letter that you think best answers the question on the line next to the question number. Please answer the questions honestly and to the best of your ability. Even if you don't know the answer, putting an answer is better than not putting one at all; you may just have the right answer!

- _____ 1. How many parts is the legislative branch made up of?
- a) 5
 - b) 3
 - c) 2
 - d) 1

_____ 2. Where is the legislative branch located?

- a) Washington state
- b) Vermont
- c) California
- d) Washington D.C.

_____ 3. Who chooses the people to be part of the legislative branch?

- a) The people
- b) The president
- c) Military
- d) Judicial branch

Your next task is to watch the video below which is all about the legislative branch. I encourage you to take notes on things that you learn to answer the questions in task 3. I have included some vocabulary words that may be unfamiliar in the chart below. Enjoy the video!

Video link: <https://youtu.be/hltv8-nzcUc> (What Is the Legislative Branch of the U.S. Government? | History, By the History channel)

Word	Definition	Part of Speech
Bicameral	Having 2 branches or chambers	Adjective
Legislature	The law-making body of a country or state	Noun
Proportional	Same in size or amount to something else	Adjective
Parameters	Guidelines	Noun
Constituents	Being a voting member	Adjective

	of a community	
Allotted	Gave something or someone a task	Verb
Initiate	Cause a process or action to begin	Verb
Impeachment	To charge a government official with a crime	Noun
Ratified	Sign or give formal consent to	Verb
Commerce	The act of buying and selling, especially on a large scale	Noun
Veto	To reject or say no to a law or proposal	Verb

Your third and final task is to answer these post-lesson questions. You may use any notes you took during the video to help you answer these. Please answer writing questions in complete sentences. For multiple-choice questions, please write the letter you think answers the question on the line next to the question number.

_____ 1. How many people make up the House of Representatives?

- a) 400
- b) 230
- c) 435
- d) 500

_____ 2. What is the job of the legislative branch?

- a) Run the country
- b) Make and pass laws
- c) Print money

d) Oversee criminal trials

_____ 3. How many people make up the Senate?

- a) 435
- b) 100
- c) 200
- d) 50

_____ 4. What document says how the legislative branch (congress) is set up?

- a) Declaration of Independence
- b) Constitution
- c) Treaty of Paris
- d) Bill of Rights

5. Please write at least one thing you learned about the legislative branch during this lesson.

And now you're done! I hope that you had fun and learned a lot about the legislative branch during this lesson! If you have any questions please contact Ms. Hathaway, Miss Miner, or Miss Schwab through Google Classroom or email! :)