

# The Usa government

# U.S. government

## Three Branches



Legislative



Executive



Judicial

# Legislative Branch of the United States Government

- Congress is the legislative, or law-making body of the United States government. It is a bicameral entity, meaning that it consists of two houses, the Senate and House of Representatives. The Senate and House of Representatives each have specific powers, but the approval of both is necessary for the making of any law.

# The Capitol



# The Senate

- The U.S. Senate is the upper house of Congress. Unlike the House of Representatives, the Senate consists of two senators for each state, regardless of that state's population. This ensures equal representation for each state. Hence, there are 100 Senators.



# The Senate



# The House of Representatives

- The U.S. House of Representatives is one of the two houses of Congress. Unlike the Senate, a state's number of representatives is based on its population. States with large populations have more representatives than states with small populations.

# The House of Representatives





# Executive Branch of the United States Government

- The Executive Branch of the United States Government consists of the President, Vice-President, Cabinet and several other organizations grouped into the Executive Office of the President. The President serves as the governmental Head-of-State and as the Commander-in-Chief of the U.S. military.

# The White House



# Judicial Branch of the United States Government

- The Judicial Branch of the U.S. Government is made up of the federal court system. The United States Supreme Court is the nation's highest court, followed by the U.S. Court of Appeals, and the U.S. District Courts. These courts decide the meanings of laws, how they are applied, and whether they were broken.

# Supreme Court



# Activities

<http://bensguide.gpo.gov/templates/bentest/games/Branch-O-Mania/ben.html>



# Questions

1. What is the Legislative Branch of the United States Government?
2. What are the duties of the Legislative Branch?
3. What is the Executive Branch of the United States Government?
4. What are the duties of the Executive Branch?
5. What is the Judicial Branch of the United States Government?
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