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* F EDERAL

**What three branches are the national government's powers divided into?**

1. Legislative

2. Executive

3. Judicial



The Capitol Building

**What branch of government meets in the Capitol building and what is its job?**

The Legislative Branch - It makes the laws

**What is the name of the legislature of the United States?**

Congress

**The legislature of the United States has two houses. Name them.**

* HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
* SENATE

**How many representative are in the House of Representatives?**

435

**How many representative does each state get?**

The number of representatives each state gets is based on its population, how many people live in the state/

**How many senators does each state get?**

**2**

**If there are 50 states, then how many senators are there?**

100

**What is the name for a proposed law?**

**( Hint: Tim says, "**Both the House and the Senate can introduce \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ that can become laws.")

a bill

**Who is the head of the executive branch?**

The President

**What does the executive branch do?**

The executive branch executes of carries out the laws.

**What do we call the group of people who give advice to the help the President with things like foreign affairs, defense, agriculture, labor, and education?**

cabinet members.

**How long can the president serve?**

two four-year terms, and then they've got to give somebody else a shot.



The White house - Where the President Lives

**What group of people are the head of the judicial branch?**

The Supreme Court

**How many judges are on the Supreme Court?**

nine justices

**What does the Supreme court do?**

decide whether or not a law is unconstitutional



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**The Founders of the United States didn't want any one branch to have too much power, so each branch of government can stop the other branches from doing something wrong.**

**What can the President do if he does not think a law passed by Congress is good?**

 say no - not sign it - veto it

**What can the Congress do if the President vetoes a law?**

override that veto if two-thirds of the representatives in both houses agree

**What happens if the Supreme Court decides that that law is unconstitutional?**

that law is out of here

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