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The Three Branches of Government: Learn and Practice

Who makes, carries out and explains our laws.

Read each question. Circle the best answer.

💡 Three branches

- Legislative branch: Congress makes the laws.
- Executive branch: the president carries out the laws.
- Judicial branch: the courts, led by the Supreme Court, explain the laws.
- Having three branches means no one group has all the power.

1 How many branches does the US government have?

A. 2 B. 5 C. 3

2 Which branch makes the laws?

A. legislative B. executive C. judicial

3 Which branch carries out the laws?

A. executive B. legislative C. judicial

4 Which branch explains what laws mean?

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5 Who leads the executive branch?

A. a mayor B. the president C. a judge

6 What is another name for the legislative branch?

A. Congress B. the Supreme Court C. the Cabinet

✏️ Explain it! Write two facts you learned about the three branches of government.

ANSWER KEY

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2 Which branch makes the laws?

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Congress, the legislative branch, makes laws.

3 Which branch carries out the laws?

A. executive B. legislative C. judicial

The president leads the executive branch.

4 Which branch explains what laws mean?

A. executive B. legislative **C. judicial**

Courts decide what laws mean.

5 Who leads the executive branch?

A. a mayor **B. the president** C. a judge

The president is head of the executive branch.

6 What is another name for the legislative branch?

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Congress is made of the Senate and the House of Representatives.