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ACTIVITY FOR LEARNING

Chapter 2: Government and Civics
Section 2: Distribution of Power in Government

Forms of Government

Use information from Chapter 2 to learn more about how governments distribute power in different ways.

Instructions, Part I: Complete the chart using what you learned from the chapter.

Forms of Government			
	<i>Unitary Government</i>	<i>Confederation Government</i>	<i>Federal Government</i>
Definition			
Examples			

Instructions, Part II: For each item, write the form of government (Confederation, Federal, or Unitary) that best fits the description.

1. In 1861, southern states in the United States tried to leave the Union to create a new country with this system in which individual states had more power than the central government.
2. The United Kingdom has a strong national government that controls the lower levels of government.
3. States are loosely joined and typically have stronger state laws.
4. Multiple levels of government have different or shared powers among them.
5. The country is divided into different levels of government. The power to rule is divided among the different levels.
6. There is one government with one executive, judicial, and legislative system.
7. It is the most uncommon government system today.
8. The national government is the only government.
9. The power to govern can reside with the states or the national government.
10. States within a country can freely choose to leave the country.