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Instructions: Read the section and complete each item with words from the passages in this section.

1. Do you believe _____ should be “of the people, by the people, for the people”?
2. To put it simply, _____ is the system by which a country is organized.
3. Still, every _____ across time has had some form of government, either as simple as the _____ of a group of prehistoric people or as complex as the government of the United States in the 21st century.
4. People create governments to keep civil _____ and _____ the people.
5. _____ is the right of a group of people to be free of outside interference.
6. A county needs not only to protect its citizens from one _____ but also to prevent an outside _____.
7. Government functions are usually broken down into three main branches: _____, _____, and _____.
8. The _____ branch is usually made up of people who are elected by the citizens of the country. Its main purpose is to create _____ for the country.

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9. The main purpose of the _____ branch is to _____, or carry out, the laws passed by the legislative branch.
10. The final branch of the government is the _____ branch. It is in charge of the _____ in a country that settle disputes among citizens and between citizens and the government.