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

1. The official name of Nigeria is the _____ of Nigeria.
2. Nigeria has a _____ government, which means power within the government is divided among the national government, state governments, and local governments.
3. Nigeria's government is based on a _____ that was written in 1999. That constitution allowed for a peaceful transition from _____ rule to _____ rule.
4. The head of government and the cabinet make up the _____ branch.
5. Nigeria has an elected president, so it is a _____ democracy.
6. The _____ serves as both the head of government and the head of state.
7. The executive branch also includes the _____ called the Federal Executive Council.
8. The legislative branch is called the _____ and is made up of two houses: the Senate and the House of Representatives.
9. The _____ branch has a Supreme Court with one chief justice and fifteen justices, who are appointed by the _____ and confirmed by the Senate.

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10. Because of years of colonial rule, much of the law in Nigeria is based on _____ law traditions.
11. The government of Nigeria faces many challenges including government _____ and _____.
12. The country has a history of _____ and nonviolent rule by military _____.