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Chapter 1: American Government and Citizenship
Section 3: The Federal Government

The Three Branches of Government

Directions: Complete the chart by writing a definition and two facts for each branch of government.

<p>Executive Branch</p> 	<p>Definition:</p> <p>Fact:</p> <p>Fact:</p>
<p>Legislative Branch</p> 	<p>Definition:</p> <p>Fact:</p> <p>Fact:</p>
<p>Judicial Branch</p> 	<p>Definition:</p> <p>Fact:</p> <p>Fact:</p>

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Directions: For each item, write the branch of government that best fits the description.

Executive Branch

Legislative Branch

Judicial Branch

- _____ 1. House of representatives and the senate
- _____ 2. Supreme Court
- _____ 3. State Department, FBI, and other government agencies
- _____ 4. Attorney General
- _____ 5. Interprets rulings and laws
- _____ 6. Investigates and carries out the laws
- _____ 7. Creates the budget and votes on laws
- _____ 8. Military leadership
- _____ 9. Judges, lawyers, and courts
- _____ 10. Chief of staff, Joint Chiefs, and others who support the president

Directions: Choose one of the topics below. Write a complete paragraph to explain the topic.

- the role of a constitution and how a constitution can protect citizens
- the way in which the three branches work together to govern a country

