

Assessment

Legislative Branch

Name _____ Key _____

1. There are two chambers in the United States Congress with:

- A. 50 members in the House, 435 in the Senate
- B. 50 members in the Senate, 435 in the House
- C. 100 members in the House, 535 in the Senate
- D. 100 members in the Senate, 535 in the House
- E. 100 members in both the House and the Senate
- F. None of the above <-----

2. The number of members each state is eligible to send to the United States House of Representatives:

- A. Is equal to that of every other state
- B. Is proportional to its share of the nation's population
- C. Can change every ten years after the national census is completed
- D. Both A and C
- E. Both B and C <-----
- F. None of the above

3. What is the Congress's most important tool of power when it comes to checking and balancing the president's use military power?

- A. Appointment Power
- B. Oversight
- C. Power of the Purse
- D. Judicial Review
- E. B and C are equally important <-----
- F. None of the above

4. The President and the Congress *share* the power to:

- A. Introduce Legislation
- B. Nominate Supreme Court Justices
- C. Exercise the "War Powers"
- D. Both A and C <-----
- E. Both B and C
- F. All of the above

5. Who makes the Federal laws in the United States?

- A. The Executive Branch
- B. The Legislative Branch <-----
- C. The Judicial Branch
- D. All of the above

6. For how long do we elect each Senator?

- A. 2 years
- B. 4 years
- C. 6 years <-----
- D. 8 years

7. How many voting members are the House of Representatives?

- A. 100
- B. 235
- C. 335
- D. 435 <-----

8. Who elects the Congress?

- A. The Electoral College
- B. The Supreme Court
- C. The people <-----
- D. The Cabinet

9. What is the term limit for members of Congress?

- A. One term
- B. Two terms
- C. Four terms
- D. There is no limit <-----

10. Why are there 100 members in the United States Senate?

- A. It is the number of founding fathers
- B. It is the number of major U.S. cities
- C. There is one for elected from each state
- D. There are two elected from each state <-----

11. For how long do we elect each member of the House of Representatives?
- A. 2 years <-----
 - B. 4 years
 - C. 6 years
 - D. 8 years
12. What group has the power to declare war?
- A. The Cabinet
 - B. The President
 - C. The Secretary of Defense
 - D. The Congress <-----