

Branches of Government -- Sort

Directions: (1) Sort the following items into the correct branches of government, (2) Draw a symbol next to each starred item, and (3) for each branch, select one power that you think is most important, and write 2-3 sentences explaining why

<p>can declare laws unconstitutional</p> <p>can declare war</p> <p>carries out the laws *</p> <p>confirms presidential nominations</p> <p>interprets the laws *</p> <p>members of ____ serve 2 yr terms</p> <p>members must be at least 25/30 yrs old</p> <p>performs ceremonial duties</p> <p>serves 4 yr terms</p>	<p>can declare presidential acts unconstitutional</p> <p>can pass a new law over the president's veto</p> <p>Congress</p> <p>controls our country's budget</p> <p>makes the laws *</p> <p>members appointed by president</p> <p>must be at least 35 years old and born in US</p> <p>Supreme Court, courts of appeal, and district courts</p> <p>9 total members</p>	<p>can impeach president or judges</p> <p>can veto a bill</p> <p>commands armed forces</p> <p>House of Representatives</p> <p>members of ____ serve 6 yr terms</p> <p>members serve for life</p> <p>president + cabinet departments</p> <p>Senate</p> <p>535 total members</p>
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Legislative Branch	Executive Branch	Judicial Branch

Most Important Power?

1. In my opinion, the **Legislative Branch's** most important power is

because _____

2. In my opinion, the **Executive Branch's** most important power is

because _____

3. In my opinion, the **Judicial Branch's** most important power is

because _____
