

**Lesson 4 The Government of the United States
The Three Branches**

**Lección 4 El Gobierno de los Estados Unidos
Los Tres Poderes**

Vocabulary List

Lista de Vocabulario

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| 1. government | 1. gobierno |
| 2. branch | 2. poder |
| 3. legislative | 3. legislativo |
| 4. executive | 4. ejecutivo |
| 5. judicial | 5. judicial |
| 6. law | 6. ley |
| 7. to elect | 7. elegir |
| 8. president | 8. presidente |
| 9. Supreme Court | 9. Corte Suprema |
| 10. chief justice | 10. jefe de justicia |
| 11. to | 11. a |
| 12. for | 12. por; para |

Conversation

1. Our government has three branches. What are they? (teacher)
2. They are legislative, executive, and judicial. (student)
3. What does the legislative branch or Congress do? (t)
4. Congress makes our laws. It is elected by the people. (s)
5. What does the executive branch do? (t)
6. The executive branch executes our laws. (s)
7. What is the number one person in the executive branch called? (t)
8. He is called the President. (s)
9. What is the judicial branch of our government? (t)
10. It is the Supreme Court. The Supreme Court interprets our laws. (s)

Conversación

1. Nuestro gobierno tiene tres poderes. ¿Cuáles son? (maestro)
2. Ellos son el legislativo, el ejecutivo, y el judicial. (estudiante)
3. ¿Qué hace el poder legislativo o el Congreso? (m)
4. El Congreso hace nuestras leyes. Es elegido por la gente. (e)
5. ¿Qué hace el poder ejecutivo? (m)
6. El poder ejecutivo ejecuta nuestras leyes. (e)
7. ¿Cómo se llama la persona número uno en el poder ejecutivo? (m)
8. Se llama el Presidente. (e)
9. ¿Qué es el poder judicial de nuestro gobierno? (m)
10. Es la Corte Suprema. La Corte Suprema interpreta nuestras leyes. (e)

Story

The Government of the United States

The government of the United States has three branches. They are the legislative, the executive, and the judicial. The legislative branch is the Congress. Congress makes the laws of our country. Congress is elected by the people. The President is in charge of the executive branch of our government. He has many people who help him. The President executes the laws that Congress makes. The judicial branch of our government is the Supreme Court. There are nine judges on the Supreme Court. One of the nine judges is in charge. He is the chief justice. The Supreme Court interprets the laws that Congress makes. That is, the Court decides what the law really says. The Supreme Court is the highest court in our country.

Historia

El Gobierno de los Estados Unidos

El Gobierno de los Estados Unidos tiene tres poderes. Ellos son el legislativo, el ejecutivo, y el judicial. El poder legislativo es el Congreso. El Congreso hace las leyes de nuestro país. El Congreso es elegido por la gente. El Presidente está a cargo del poder ejecutivo de nuestro gobierno. El tiene muchas personas que le ayudan. El Presidente ejecuta las leyes que el Congreso hace. El poder judicial de nuestro gobierno es la Corte Suprema. Hay nueve jueces en la Corte Suprema. Uno de los nueve jueces está a cargo. El es el jefe de justicia. La Corte Suprema interpreta las leyes que el Congreso hace. Es decir, que la Corte Suprema decide lo que la ley verdaderamente dice. La Corte Suprema es la corte más alta en nuestro país.

Fill in the Blank * Llène el Espacio

Llène cada espacio con una palabra de la lista de vocabulario. Use cada palabra solamente una vez.

1. The _____ is the highest court in the United States.
2. The President is in charge of the _____ branch.
3. Congress is _____ by the people.
4. She walks _____ school.
5. What are the three _____ of the government of the United States?
6. The _____ executes the laws that Congress makes.
7. The _____ branch interprets the laws.
8. Congress makes the _____ of our country.
9. Enrique lines up _____ school.
10. How many branches are in the _____ of the United States?
11. The _____ is one of nine judges.
12. The three branches of government are _____, executive, and judicial.