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Balance of Power: Three Branches of Government 618

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The makers of the United States Constitution did not want to give too much power to one group. They were afraid that it would **(be)** dangerous for the country. The lawmakers **(decided)** to divide the jobs of the **(government)**. They created three branches of government. **(Article)** I of the Constitution created the **(first)** branch. The first branch is the **(Legislative)** Branch. The legislative branch is the **(Congress)**. Congress makes the laws of the **(nation)**. It also handles money. Congress is **(responsible)** for making the money, borrowing money, **(and)** collecting taxes. It is also in **(charge)** of the military.

The second branch **(was)** created as Article II of the **(Constitution)**. It is the Executive Branch. The **(Executive)** Branch is the President of the **(United)** States. The president is responsible for **(making)** sure laws are carried out. He **(is)** able to put laws into effect **(by)** signing them. He can also veto **(laws)** he does not like. The president **(is)** the commander-in-chief of the nation's **(armed)** forces. He appoints people to important **(positions)** and makes treaties with other countries.

(Article) III of the Constitution created the **(third)** branch of the government. This third **(branch)** is the Judicial Branch. The Judicial **(Branch)** is the Supreme Court and other **(national)** courts. The Judicial Branch is responsible **(for)** explaining what laws mean. This branch **(decides)** if current laws passed by Congress **(follow)** the intention of the Constitution.



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The second branch **(can, collecting, was)** created as Article II of the **(with, and, Constitution)**. It is the Executive Branch. The **(courts, laws, Executive)** Branch is the President of the **(second, United, legislative)** States. The president is responsible for **(making, into, countries)** sure laws are carried out. He **(is, as, like)** able to put laws into effect **(makes, by, passed)** signing them. He can also veto **(laws, put, three)** he does not like. The president **(makers, money, is)** the commander-in-chief of the nation's **(armed, forces, were)** forces. He appoints people to important **(out, positions, give)** and makes treaties with other countries.

(Divide, Too, Article) III of the Constitution created the **(third, states, effect)** branch of the government. This third **(branch, is, veto)** is the Judicial Branch. The Judicial **(taxes, makers, Branch)** is the Supreme Court and other **(did, this, national)** courts. The Judicial Branch is responsible **(by, for, group)** explaining what laws mean. This branch **(sure, decides, them)** if current laws passed by Congress **(also, follow, dangerous)** the intention of the Constitution.