

Branches of Government Worksheet

1. Most colonists came to America for all of the following reasons EXCEPT _____.
 - A) economic opportunity
 - B) political liberty
 - C) better food
 - D) religious freedom

2. The people living in America before the colonists arrived were called _____.
 - A) the loyalists
 - B) the American Indians, or Native Americans
 - C) the pre-colonists
 - D) the slaves

3. The _____ is in charge of the Executive branch.
 - A) Congress
 - B) Supreme Court
 - C) President

4. One of the jobs of Congress is to _____ federal laws.
 - A) make
 - B) sign
 - C) review
 - D) break

5. The “rule of law” means that _____.
 - A) Laws are designed to protect you from harm.
 - B) Speeding violates a federal law.
 - C) Everyone must follow the law, and the laws apply to everyone.
 - D) Our government has a lot of laws.

6. The system of _____ stops one branch or section of government from becoming too powerful.
 - A) vigilant oversight
 - B) checks and balances
 - C) abort, retry, and fail
 - D) rule of law

7. The president is elected to a term of office that lasts _____ years.
 - A) four
 - B) six
 - C) two

8. If both the President and the Vice-President die or resign, the _____ becomes the next president.
 - A) President Pro-temp of the Senate
 - B) Secretary of State
 - C) Speaker of the House
 - D) First lady

9. The _____ advises the President.
 - A) Cupboard
 - B) Supreme Court
 - C) Cabinet