



## The Legislative Branch

### Step 1. Reading

Read Section 9.3 and answer the questions below:

1. What is the main job performed by the legislative branch?
2. What does *bicameral* mean?
3. What are proposals for new laws called?

### Step 2. Constitution Question Cards

Get a set of Legislative Branch cards. To answer each question, refer to either Section 9.3 or the Constitution, which starts on page 474 in *History Alive! The United States Through Industrialism*. Record the answers below in complete sentences. For bonus points, record the article and section where the answer can be found.

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## The Executive Branch

### Step 1. Reading

Read Section 9.4 and answer the questions below:

1. What is the main job performed by the executive branch?
  
2. What does the president promise to defend when he takes the oath of office?
  
3. What do cabinet members do?

### Step 2. Constitution Question Cards

Get a set of Executive Branch cards. To answer each question, refer to either Section 9.4 or the Constitution, which starts on page 474 in *History Alive! The United States Through Industrialism*. Record the answers below in complete sentences. For bonus points, record the article and section where the answer can be found.

<i>Answer</i>	<i>Article/Section</i>
7. _____ _____	_____
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12. _____ _____	_____



# The Judicial Branch

## Step 1. Reading

Read Section 9.5 and answer the questions below:

1. What is the main job performed by the judicial branch?
2. What different types of courts make up the judicial branch?
3. What is meant by the term *judicial review*?

## Step 2. Constitution Question Cards

Get a set of Judicial Branch cards. To answer each question, refer to either Section 9.5 or the Constitution, which starts on page 474 in *History Alive! The United States Through Industrialism*. Record the answers below in complete sentences. For bonus points, record the article and section where the answer can be found.

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## Checks and Balances

### Step 1. Reading

Read Section 9.6 and answer the questions below:

1. What does the term *checks and balances* mean?
  
2. Why did the framers feel the need to include checks and balances in the Constitution?

### Step 2. Constitution Question Cards

Get a set of Checks and Balances cards. To answer each question, refer to either Section 9.6 or the Constitution, which starts on page 474 in *History Alive! The United States Through Industrialism*. Record the answers below in complete sentences. For bonus points, record the article and section where the answer can be found.

<i>Answer</i>	<i>Article/Section</i>
17. _____ _____	_____
18. _____ _____	_____
19. _____ _____	_____
20. _____ _____	_____
21. _____ _____	_____
22. _____ _____	_____



## The Amendment Process

### Step 1. Reading

Read Section 9.7 and answer the questions below:

1. Why did the framers make it possible to change the Constitution?
2. What are two pieces of evidence that prove that amending the Constitution is “difficult”?

### Step 2. Constitution Question Cards

Get a set of Amendment Process cards. To answer each question, refer to either Section 9.7 or the Constitution, which starts on page 474 in *History Alive! The United States Through Industrialism*. Record the answers below in complete sentences. For bonus points, record the article and section where the answer can be found.

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## The Federal System

### Step 1. Reading

Read Section 9.8 and answer the questions below:

1. Why did the framers create a federal system of government in which power is shared between the national and state governments?
  
2. What is *federalism*, and why do you think it has caused controversy during our nation's history?

### Step 2. Constitution Question Cards

Get a set of Federal System cards. To answer each question, refer to either Section 9.8 or the Constitution, which starts on page 474 in *History Alive! The United States Through Industrialism*. Record the answers below in complete sentences. For bonus points, record the article and section where the answer can be found.

<i>Answer</i>	<i>Article/Section</i>
27. _____ _____	_____ _____
28. _____ _____	_____ _____
29. _____ _____	_____ _____
30. _____ _____	_____ _____