

The Checks and Balances System: A Worksheet

Various governmental powers are listed below. Identify the branch doing the checking and the branch being checked. More than one answer is possible per section.

Power	Branch	Branch Being Checked
1) Create and pass legislation.	Legislative Branch	Executive Branch
2) Veto bills.	Executive Branch	Legislative Branch
3) Ratify treaties.	Legislative Branch	Executive Branch
4) Appoint Federal judges.	Executive Branch	Judicial Branch
5) Impeachment of federal officials.	Legislative Branch	Executive Branch, Judicial Branch
6) Confirm presidential appointments.	Legislative Branch	Judicial Branch, Executive Branch
7) Declare laws unconstitutional.	Judicial Branch	Legislative Branch, Executive Branch
8) Override Presidential Vetoes.	Legislative Branch	Executive Branch
9) Judges are appointed for life.	Judicial Branch	Executive Branch, Legislative Branch
10) Controls appropriations of Money.	Legislative Branch	Executive Branch

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