

2nd Grade Social Studies

April 17, 2020



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Lesson: April 17, 2020

Learning Target:

Students will be able to explain the 3 branches of government



Hello!

Background:

This is a review lesson from the beginning of 2nd grade.

- ▣ Branches of government

Let's Get Started!

■ Warm Up Activities

- Think about the legislative branch. Write down two things you know, and two things you want to learn.

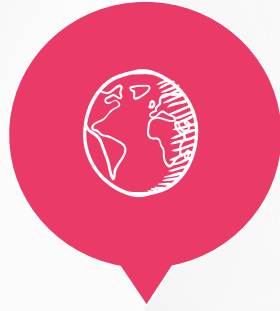
What I Know

1. _____
2. _____

What I Want to Know

1. _____
2. _____

- Listen to this book: House Mouse, Senate Mouse

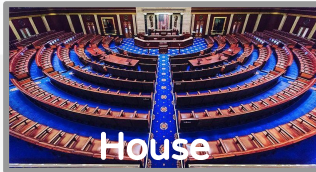


Practice

Practice # 1

Click the picture to learn about Congress.

Listen to the information on the first tab “What is Congress?” Then listen to the information on the second and third tabs, “Senate” and “House of Representatives.”



1. Congress is broken into two groups? What are the groups called?
2. What is the main job of Congress?
3. The Vice President leads which group?

If you need
a reminder,
just click on
the picture.

(This link on this page will take you to PebbleGo. You will need your school's login)

Practice # 2

Click the seal to learn about members of the House of Representatives.



How old do you have to be to be a member of the House?

If you live in Missouri can you be a representative for the state of Kansas?

How many member of the House of Representatives are there?

Practice # 3

Click the seal to learn about members of the Senate.



How often are senators elected?

How many senators are there for each state?

How many total senators are there?

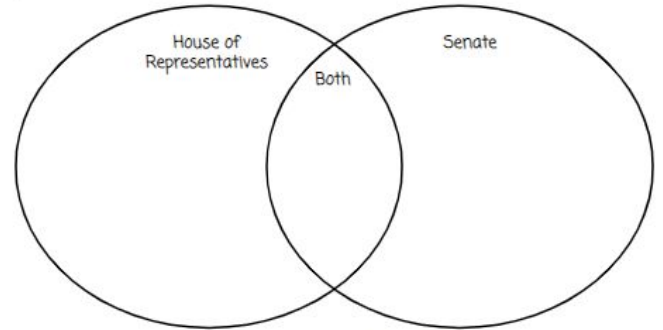


Practice on Your Own

1. Click on the picture.
2. Sort the information about Congress into House of Representatives, Senate, or Both

House of Representatives and Senate Sort

Read each bit of information about Congress. Decide if the information is describing the House of Representatives, the Senate, or both. Move the information into the correct part of the Venn Diagram.



Must be 25 years old

100 members

Elected every 2 years

Must be 30 years old

Elected every 6 years

Must live in state they represent

435 members

Elected by the people



Practice on Your Own

Click on the picture
to open the
printable.

Is it the House of Representatives or the Senate?



Read each statement. If the statement describes the House, write an H on the line. If the statement describes the Senate, write an S on the line.

1 _____ Has 435 members

2 _____ Elected every 6 years

3 _____ There are 2 from each state

4 _____ Have to be at least 30 years old

5 _____ Elected every 2 years

6 _____ Has 100 members

7 _____ Have to be at least 25 years old

8 _____ Elected every 2 years



Self Check:

Go tell someone in your house 2 similarities and differences between the House of Representatives and the Senate

1. Was this lesson...?



Easy



Just right



Hard

2. If you could choose to be a member of Congress, would you rather be a member of the House of Representatives or the Senate? Why?