#### 5th Grade Humanities High Quality Work Submission

#### **Learning Targets**

I can Identify and describe the basic features of the three branches of the United States government.

I can describe how the three branches of government provide a system of checks and balances.

I can produce clear and coherent writing that is appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.

I can take responsibility for what I say and do by staying on task in a group.

I can use rubrics and feedback given of my work in order to improve the quality of my work.

#### The Work's Story

5th grade students worked in groups to create high-quality, commercially produced board games that teach about how the three branches of our government function. These games will be judged by representatives from Close Up, a foundation that coordinates tours and education for students who are visiting D.C. from around the country. Close Up will use the winning game to help educate the students it serves. In order to create the games, our fifth graders visited the National Mall, analyzed excerpts of the Constitution, read articles about the branches, and participated in a game-design workshop with an expert from Labyrinth Games. All of this supported students in developing a deep understanding of the features of the U.S. government, building skills to interpret informational texts, and educating others about the three branches.

#### Examples of the work in process

- Expedition Kickoff Notes
- Note catchers to build background knowledge of game mechanics
- Game Proposal Drafts
- Note catcher for Labyrinth Games expert visit
- Specialized Research Packets and paragraphs
- Co-created group work rubric with daily scores and feedback
- Game prototype
- Feedback from 6th grade expert
- Notes from design workshop with Courtney Clark
- Draft of game directions
- Final game
- Completed rubric for final game

Crew: University of Florida
Crew Members Present:

#### **Humanities Expedition Kickoff Notes**

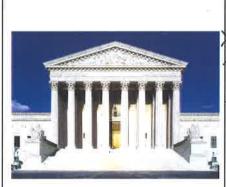
**Directions:** For each photo below, write down three things: what you think the name of the building is, who you believe works there, and which branch it represents.



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After Kickoff: Supreme Court 9 Justices of the Supreme Court



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#### **Game Notecatcher**

Name of Game: Forbiden Island

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To save the island we worked together from the flood as a deam.

2. What choices do you make on a turn? What actions can a player take on a turn?

Which island you? To move up down want to save side to side or trade cards.

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4. How could you adjust this game to teach about the three branches of government?

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2. What choices do you make on a turn? What actions can a player take on a turn?

To try to get the creature with more

Power to defeat the dragons.

3. Do players have different roles or jobs? What are those roles or jobs?

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4. How could you adjust this game to teach about the three branches of government?

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### **Game Concept Proposal**

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# **Cooperative Game Proposal**

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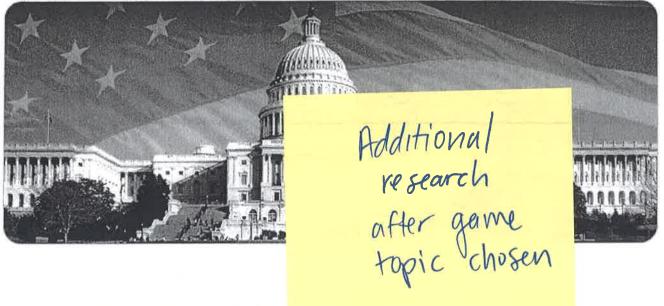
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# Becoming an Expert!

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### Checks and Balances



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### **Choosing a Research Question**

What is your research question? (Circle one.)

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- What can the legislative and judicial branches do to check the executive branch?

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because they might talk about top secret things. The people who testify swear to tell the truth and can go to jail for perjury if they lie.

Information. Congress can ask anyone in the executive branch for information and documents related to their jobs. This includes their emails and notes from meetings.

Sometimes this is part of an investigation, but it does not have to be.

Impeachment. The House of Representatives can vote to impeach any government official, including the president, if they think they might have committed a "high crime." This is like accusing them of a crime. Once impeachment passes in the House, there is a "trial" in the Senate, which votes on whether they are guilty. If an official is impeached they lose their job, but don't go to jail.

#### Senate:

**The filibuster.** Senate rules allow one senator to block the whole Senate from voting on a bill, which means it won't ever pass and become law. It takes 51 Senators to vote to pass a bill, but 60 to end a filibuster, which makes it harder for the president to get enough votes.

Approval of Cabinet. The president nominates, or suggests, people to be in his Cabinet and have important jobs like ambassadors and judges. The Senate has to vote to approve them before they get the job. First there is a committee hearing, where a smaller group of Senators gets to ask them questions.

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# **Becoming an Expert!**

## Checks and Balances



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Directions: Read your additional text. Then, complete the questions below.

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**Directions**: In the left column, fill in the different ways other branches can check the executive branch. In the right column, explain what this check means in your own words.

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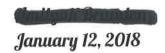
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Writing Prompt: In a paragraph, answer your research questions. Be sure to include a topic sentence and a conclusion sentence.

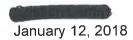
#### **Research Question:**

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I can quote accurately from the text.	<ul> <li>More than 2 quotes with proper use of quotation marks         OR</li> <li>All quotes properly introduced</li> </ul>	Research paragraph		No quotes from research texts
I can capitalize the first word of a sentence and proper nouns.	<ul> <li>All sentences and proper nouns capitalized</li> <li>All sentences have ending punctuation</li> <li>Correct comma usage</li> </ul>	and student work		<ul> <li>A few or no sentences start with capital letter</li> <li>A few or no sentences have ending punctuation</li> </ul>
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I can organize my writing into a paragraph.		Indented; no gaps between the lines, uses margins correctly	Indented or no gaps between the lines, but not both	Not indented, gaps between lines

Comments:



To stop the executive branch from going against the Constitution, the judicial branch can find the executive orders unconstitutional and the legislative branch can impeach the president. The text "Checks and Balances" say, "The legislative branch Can override the president's veto. "The Washington Post says, "If an official is impeached they lose their job, but don't go to jail." This means if the president commits a high crime against the Constitution he gets impeached. In addition, the article says, "Any action or order by the executive branch can be stopped by the courts, if it is found to be unconstitutional". This means the judicial branch can find out if the executive branch does anything unconstitutional. This shows us that if the president doesn't approve of something becoming a law, the legislative branch can get more people to vote for that law. So that means that they can override that veto. Therefore, these are some ways the legislative and judicial branch can check the executive branch.



There are many things the legislative branch and the judicial branch can do to stop the executive branch from going against the Constitution. One thing the legislative branch can do is to impeach the president if he is found guilty of a crime. According to the Washington Post, "The House of Representatives can vote to impeach any government official, including the president, if they think they might have committed a high crime." This means the president can lose his job. Another thing the judicial branch can do is to stop executive orders if the president's orders go against the Constitution. According to Trump's War Against the Checks on His Power, "Any action or order by the executive branch can be stopped by the courts if it is found to be unconstitutional." This means the president can't do the things he wants without checking the Constitution. Another thing the legislative branch can do is to investigate anything the executive branch does. "According to the Washington Post, "Congress can investigate to find out more about anything the President has done." In conclusion, the legislative branch and the judicial branch have many powers to check on the executive branch and stop it from having too much power.



To stop the executive from going against the Constitution, the judicial branch can find executive orders unconstitutional, and the legislative branch can impeach the president. According to "Trump's war against the checks and his power tells us, the Department of justice can get outside people to investigate just in case one of the people working in the Department of justice are included in the crime. There are many ways branches of government can check over each other. One is for the legislative branch to make a law for themselves or for citizens. Another way is for the executive branch to make an order, so the judicial branch can stop the order if it is found unconstitutional. Another way for the the branches to check themselves, the Senate and house of Representatives can impeach the president or any else committing a high crime. I think this teaches me about how government works and what they do.

There are several ways the judicial and legislative branches can check the executive branch. According to "Trump's war against the checks on his power, "If an official is impeached they lose their job but don't go to jail." This means if the president commits a high crime against the Constitution he gets impeached. In addition according to the text, "Any order by the executive branch can be stopped by the courts if found to be unconstitutional." This means that the president can't do anything he wants. In addition according to the text, "The president in the executive branch can veto a law, but the legislative branch can override that veto with enough votes." This means that the president can't just veto a law because he doesn't like it but the legislative branch can override the veto and make the bill become a law. This concludes how the legislative and judicial branch check the executive branch from getting too much power.



#### **Using Our Research**

1. In the space below, write down at least three facts that your group learned from your research and you would like to include in your game.

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- Can declare executive orders un consitututional.

· "Can impeach and remove president."

2. How will your group include this information in your game? Circle all that apply.

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cards

the roles of the players

- actions players can take on their turns
- the goal of the game
- the pieces players are collecting
- other:
- the theme or story of the game
- 3. In the chart below, write down each fact you will be using in your game. Next to each fact, write down how your group will include it in your game.

Fact	How We Will Include It
Investigation	the roles of the players
HJC Articles of Impeachmen	
HOUSE OF Reps VOTE	A role of the players

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2. House Judicary Comite
3. Articals of impeachment
4. House Of Representatives vote
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### **6th Grade Feedback**

### Questions



**Directions:** In the space below, write down any questions you have for the group as you play their game (including questions you actually ask them)

Do they have directions?

Maybe they should have a board?

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Self-Discipline Controlling what you say and do Group score: 2 - 7 Teacher score:	Contribution  Working together as a team to meet your goals  Group score: 3  Teacher score: 3	Compassion  Kindness and including everyone  Group score: 3  Teacher score: 3	
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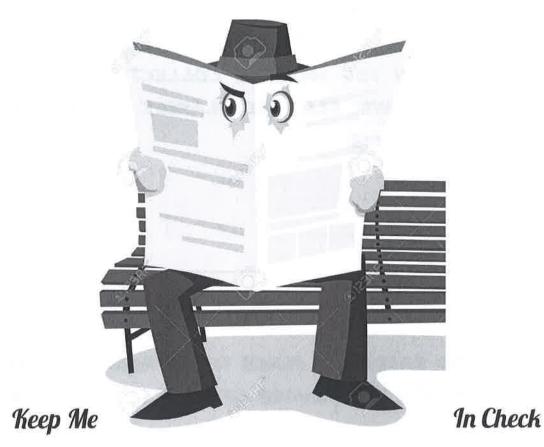


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2-4 Players Ages 6+

### GAME OVERVIEW

THE PRESIDENT IS ACTING SUSPICIOUS AND WE NEED YOU NEED TO

DO ALL THE STEPS TO IMP AND LEGISLATIVE BRANCH EXECUTIVE BRANCH FROM TAKING TOO MUCH POWER Directions

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### **OBJECTIVE**

THING YOU MUST DO IS C

RE. THE FIRST TO TELL THE

PUBLIC WHATS HAPPENING. YOU MUST COLLECT THE HAMMER TO ASK THE PRESIDENT QUESTIONS AND SEE IF HE'S OK OR IF HE HAS A EVIL TWIN BROTHER. THEN YOU HAVE TO COLLECT THE FLASHLIGHT

THE PLAYER WHO LAST VISITED AN IMPORTANT PLACE GOES FIRST. ON EVERY TURN DO THESE STEPS IN ORDER. ON EVERY END OF YOUR MOVE YOU PICK 2 POWER CARDS AND WHAT THAT PLACE ON THE MAP AND IF YOU WANT TO FLIP IT BACK YOU HAVE TO MOVE ON YOUR TURN TO THAT CARD AND THAN YOU CAN FLIP IT BACK. THE MOST IMPORTANT THING YOU HAVE TO REMEMBER IS IF THERE ARE MORE THAN 4 PLACES FLIPPED AND YOU GET THE WHITE HOUSE YOU AUTOMATICALLY LOSE.

- . TAKE UP TO THREE ACTIONS
- . GET 2 TREASURE CARDS
- . DRAW Z POWER CARDS

YOU CAN TAKE UP TO 3 ACTIONS EACH TURN. YOUR TEAMMATES ARE ALLOWED TO GIVE ADVICE DURING YOUR TURN. SELECT A COMBO OF ANY OF THESE ACTIONS:

- · MOVE 3 SPACES SJDK GHV
- PICK A STEP TO CHECK THE PRESIDENT'S POWER.
- FLIP OVER TILES THAT ARE TOKEN OVER

### GAME END

ONCE EVERYONE HAS ALL THE STEPS AND CRACKED THE CODE TO GET IN THE WHITE HOUSE YOU YOU CRACK ANOTHER CODE AND THEN YOU IMPEACH THE PRESIDENT AND YOU WIN!

### HERE IS SOME PLACES YOU MAY SEE







### 5th Grade Humanities Expedition

Three Branches Game Rubric

Category	Criteria for a 3
Well-Crafted  Design  Writing	Board, cards, and/or box design are neat  Same font used throughout  Colors are consistent, look nice together, and match the game concept  No spelling errors  All correct capitalization  Every sentence is correctly punctuated  Game instructions are complete and make sense
Authentic  Will this game teach students who are visiting DC about the three branches of government?	Players take on a role to gain understanding of the function of one or more branches  OR  The steps you take in the game are the steps that actually happen in the government
Complex  Do the game concept and mechanics require players to make thoughtful choices instead of relying on luck?	The game makes sense. All group members understand how the game works and can explain it clearly.  Players make choices on each turn that directly impact whether they win or lose the game  Choices are based on more than luck  During each turn players have to evaluate and choose which actions will most likely help them to win  The game is not too complicated.  The game is fun to play and is not too repetitive.