7th Grade Social Studies

Notes Packet:

**U.S. Constitution**

**Illinois Constitution**

**U.S. Flag**



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**Introduction to the U.S. Constitution**

Date the U.S. Constitution was signed \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

The two ways to become a U.S. citizen \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Three parts to the Constitution 1.

2. How many? \_\_\_\_\_\_

3. How many? \_\_\_\_\_\_

1. **The Preamble**

* Sets the goals for the U.S. Constitution; the following ideas are included in the preamble:
* “to form a more perfect union”- all states will come together and operate as a single, united country
* “to establish justice”- all citizens will be treated equally and fairly
* “to insure domestic tranquility” – peace and order at home (in the U.S.)
* “to provide for the common defense”- national government will have an army and navy to protect its citizens
* “to promote the general welfare”- well-being for citizens; free from poverty, disease, and hunger
* “to secure the Blessings of Liberty to ourselves and our Posterity”- all Americans will have all basic rights now and in the future

1. **The Articles**

* Three branches of government:

1. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the laws

- Consist of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the laws

- Consist of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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- Consist of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

* Checks and Balances-> each branch can check, or \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, the power of another branch.

1. **The Amendments**

* These are \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ made to the U.S. Constitution
* The Bill of Rights are the first ten \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* The First Amendment establishes freedom of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Other important amendments:
* 2nd - \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* 4th -\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* 5th- \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* 6th -\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* 8th - \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* 13th -\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* 19th -\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* 26th - \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_



**The Legislative Branch: Congress**

* The legislative branch \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for the country.
* Ideas for bills can come from the following places: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, or \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* The two houses of Congress are:
* **The House of Representatives** (\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ total members)
* **Senate** (\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ total members)

The U.S. House of Representatives

* The number of representatives a state gets in Congress is based on the population of the state. This is determined by the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, which is a count of the people. This happens every \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ years in the U.S.
* Illinois sends \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ representatives to the House of Representatives. Therefore, there are \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Congressional Districts in Illinois. We live in the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ district and our U.S. Representative from the Peoria area is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* Each member of the U.S. House of Representatives must fulfill 3 requirements:

1. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ years or older
2. U.S. citizens for \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ years
3. Resident of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in which they are elected

* U.S. Representatives serve \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ year terms and can serve an unlimited numbers of terms.
* In the Constitution, each state is guaranteed at least \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ representative.
* The sole power of the House of Representatives are:

1. Start money bills
2. Start impeachment process
3. Select President if there is no majority in the electoral college.

* The leader of the House of Representatives is called the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

The person that currently serves in this position is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

The U.S. Senate

* Each state sends \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ people to represent their state in the U.S. Senate. Therefore, since there are 50 states in our country, this means that there are a total number of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ U.S. Senators.
* Our two senators from Illinois are: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Each member of the U.S. Senate must fulfill 3 requirements:

1. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ years or older
2. U.S. citizen for \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ years
3. Resident of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in which they are elected

* U.S. Senators serve \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ year terms and can serve an unlimited number of terms.
* The sole powers of the Senate are:

1. Serve as jury for impeachment hearings
2. Approve presidential treaties
3. Approve Presidential nominations
4. Select Vice President if there is no majority in the electoral college

* The official leader of the U.S. Senate is the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. The day to day leader of the U.S. Senate is called the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. The person that currently serves in this position is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

Making Laws

* Only \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ can introduce a bill in Congress.
* The three ways to vote in Congress are:

1. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

* A delay tactic used in the Senate is called a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Cloture limits a Senator to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of debate.
* The three things the President can do with a bill are: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, or \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. Congress can override a presidential veto with a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ vote in both houses.

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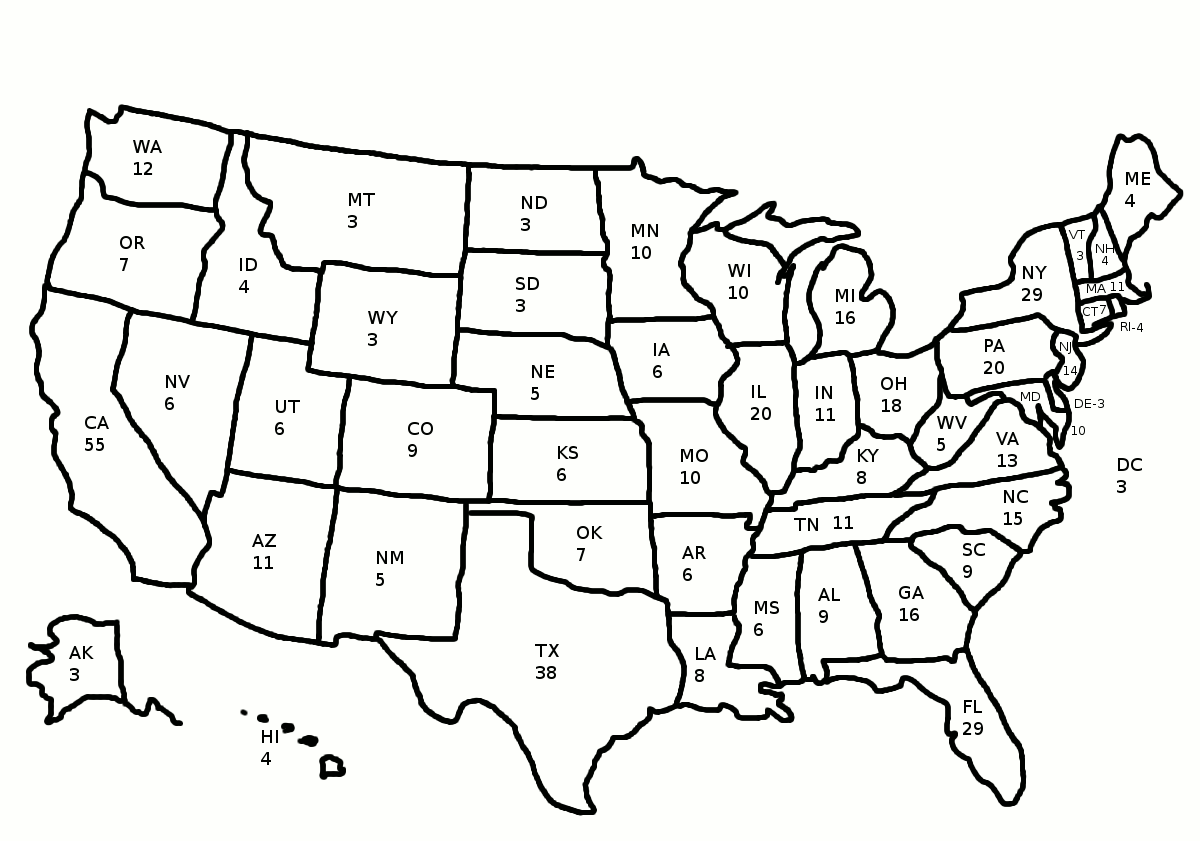
**The Executive Branch: The President**

* The President is head of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ branch.

Requirements to be President:

1. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ years old
2. Born in the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
3. Live in the U.S. for \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ years prior to the election

Electoral College: Elects the President; a group of electors in each state cast their votes for President; the candidate who receive a majority of the electoral votes nationwide (270) wins the election; the number of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ votes a state gets is based on the number of representatives +2 senators. How many votes does Illinois get in the electoral college? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_



* The President serves a term of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ years and cannot serve more than 2 terms (22nd Amendment)
* Salary: $ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ per year, plus travel expenses, free lodging in the White House, use of Camp David, and Secret Service protection for life.
* Order of Presidential Succession (used if something happens to the President):

1. President- \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
2. Vice President- \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
3. Speaker of the House - \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
4. President Pro Tempore- \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
5. Secretary of State- \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

* Cabinet: Advises the President; includes the VP, heads of executive depts., and other important officials
* The Cabinet is not mentioned in the Constitution; George Washington asked Congress to create executive departments
* There are currently \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ executive departments. (State, Treasury, Defense, Education, Justice, Interior, H&HS, H&UD, Transportation, Commerce, Veteran’s Affairs, Energy, Labor, Agriculture, and Homeland Security).
* The President directs foreign policy, makes treaties, and appoints ambassadors.
* The President is the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of the armed forces, but only \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ can declare war.
* The President has the power to:
  + Grant a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_-> Forgiveness and freedom from punishment
  + Grant a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_-> Similar to a pardon, but for a group of people instead of an individual
  + Grant a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ -> an order to delay a person’s punishment
* The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (NSC) helps the President make life and death decisions about the safety and security of the U.S.



E Plurbus Unum means “\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_”

**The Judicial Branch: The Courts**

* **The two types of court causes are**:

1. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_- cases in which juries decide whether people have committed crimes (murder, robbery, etc.)
2. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_- cases in which two sides disagree over some issue (examples: lawsuits over injuries, money, property, etc.)

* **The two types of courts are**:

1. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

* **The three levels of federal courts (from lowest to highest):**

1. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ - most of the work of deferral courts is done here; evidence is presented during trial and a jury decides the facts of the case; if someone disagrees with the decision, they can appeal it, or ask the decision to be reviewed by a higher court
2. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ - judges review decisions of the district courts
3. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ - “the court of last resort”- no appeal from the Supreme Court

**U.S. Supreme Court**

* Hears appeals from lower courts that involve federal laws (about 100 cases per year)
* Uses \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_- Review of any law to see if it agrees with the Constitution
* 9 total justices; 1 Chief Justice (\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_); 8 Associate Justices
* President appoints the justice, but the Senate must approve them; justices serve for life
* First female justice- Sandra Day O’Connor (now retired)

**More Court Terms**

* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_-> a court order requiring someone to appear in court
* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_-> issues court orders and determines whether cases should be brought to trial
* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_-> arrest suspects, delivers defendants to court, and serves subpoenas



**Illinois Government**

* The State of Illinois also has three branches of government: legislative, executive, and judicial
* Illinois was the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ state to be admitted into the Union. It was admitted on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* The 3 capital cities of Illinois in chronological order are:

1. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

* There are \_\_\_\_\_\_ counties is Illinois and we live in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ County.

**Executive Branch**

* The head of the executive branch in Illinois is the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* The governor of Illinois is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* The requirements to be the governor are:

1. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ years old
2. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ citizen
3. live in the state for \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ years before the election

* Other individuals in the executive branch of Illinois are:
  + Lieutenant Governor- \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
  + Attorney General- \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
  + Secretary of State- \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
  + Treasurer- \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Legislative Branch**

* The law making body in Illinois is called the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* The three requirements to be a member of the Illinois General Assembly are:

1. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ years old
2. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ citizen
3. live in the district being represented for at least \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ years prior to election

* Illinois 18 has Congressional districts. We live in the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ district, and our U.S. Representative is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* There are \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Representative Districts in Illinois. We live in the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ district, and our State Representative is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* There are \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Legislative districts in Illinois. We live in the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ district, and out State Senator is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* Our two U.S. Senator from Illinois are \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

**Judicial Branch**

* The Illinois Supreme Court consists of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ justices. They serve \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ year terms.

**State Symbols**

State Mineral= \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ State Insect= \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

State Slogan= \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ State Flower= \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

State Animal= \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ State Tree= \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

State Bird= \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_



**U.S. Flag**

* The origin of the U.S. flag date back to the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ War.
* The blue field on the flag is called the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* There are \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ red stripes and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ white stripes on the U.S. flag. These stripes represent the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* The U.S. flag has \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ stars, which represent the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* The 50 star flag has been used since \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* The flag should only be displayed from \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in decent weather conditions.
* The 2 proper ways to destroy a flag are to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ it.
* The flag should never touch the ground, be used as a covering or drapery. It should never be sued to hold, carry, or deliver anything.