

**Competency: Understand the 3 Branches of the United States Government**

Lesson Overview: The purpose of this lesson is to provide students with an understanding of the three branches of the U.S. government.

This lesson plan includes:

1. 3 Branches of Government Pre-Test
2. 3 Branches of Government Vocabulary Flash Cards
3. 3 Branches of Government Picture Cards
4. 3 Branches of Government Vocabulary
5. 3 Branches of Government Vocabulary Matching
6. 3 Branches of Government Summary
7. 3 Branches of Government Which Branch?
8. 3 Branches of Government Diagram
9. 3 Branches of Government Conversation (Parts 1-4)
10. 3 Branches of Government Comprehensive Test
11. 3 Branches of Government Post-Test
12. 3 Branches of Government Board Game
13. 3 Branches of Government Tree and Apples
14. 3 Branches of Government Executive Branch Game Questions
15. 3 Branches of Government Judicial Branch Game Questions
16. 3 Branches of Government Legislative Branch Game Questions
17. 3 Branches of Government Rules for "Running for Government"

Pre-Test and Post-Test Information:

The Post-Test is a parallel form of the Pre-Test. Both tests assess the students' vocabulary recognition and oral ability. The first part is multiple choice with vocabulary words and phrases. The second part tests oral proficiency.

Approximate Time: 3 hours

Prerequisite Skills: Students must be able to read and write simple sentences in English and be able to follow simple directions. Students must know cardinal and ordinal numbers. Students need a general understanding of the concept of democracy and the idea of elected representatives. The lesson "Name the Current President" should be taught before this lesson.