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**Date:**

**Subject:** Social Studies/Language Arts # of students: 22

**Major Content:** Government/Civics # of L.E.P. students: 0

**Unit Title:** The Civil War: American Tragedy

**Duration:** One Lesson Plan (2-3 days)

**Activities:**

**Goal:** Students will explore the branches of the United States government and the duties associated with each.

**Essential Question:** How did the branches of government play a role in the Civil War?

**Objective:** Students will create a brochure that explains the duties/responsibilities of each branch of the United States government at a proficient level.

**Assessment:** A rubric will be used to assess this.

**Connections:**

Academic Expectations	Program of Studies	Core Content for Assessment
<b>L.11</b> Students write using appropriate forms, conventions, and styles to communicate ideas and information to different audiences for different purposes.	<b>LS.2.P.10-11-4</b> Students use appropriate details, examples, and explanations to meet needs of audiences for authentic purposes in a variety of forms.	<b>WB.11-12</b> Writing Conventions based on all forms of writing: 1) Purpose/Audience 2) Idea Development 3) Organization 4) Sentence 5) Language 6) Conventions
<b>L.11</b> Students understand the democratic principles of justice, equality, responsibility, and freedom and apply them to real-life situations.	<b>SS.11-12.C.1-2</b> Students will understand the basic purpose of government and how citizens participation can affect government.	<b>SS.11-12.C.1.1</b> Students will describe the basic duties of the three branches of government in the United States. <b>EW.11, 12</b>

**Content:** This lesson is designed to introduce students to the branches of the United States government. Students will learn duties/responsibilities associated with each particular branch of government. Hopefully, students will begin to understand how these branches work and they were not able to keep the South from leaving the Union. Also, students will create a brochure that can be used as part of their writing portfolio.