

Papers and Places

Timeline Cards



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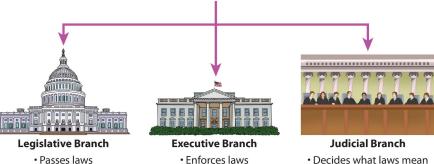
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Separation of Powers

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The Constitution



The U.S. government is organized into three branches.





Checks and balances help limit the power of the government.



Federalism

Some Shared

Collect taxes

and safety

Borrow money

• Set up court systems

Make laws for health

Powers

Powers of the National Government

- Add new states to the country
- Go to war and make peace
- Create a military
- Control trade between states and with other countries
- Print money
- Make laws for citizenship

Some Powers of State Governments

- Run elections
- Make rules for voting
- Control trade within the
- state
 - Set up local governments
 - Set up public schools

Federalism divides power between the national government and the states.





People play an important role in U.S. democracy, especially when they exercise their civic virtues.





People become U.S. citizens by birth or by naturalization.





New England is made up of six states in the northeastern part of the United States.





The Mid-Atlantic includes Washington, D.C., the capital of the United States.





The South is a large region with mountains, beaches, and rivers.





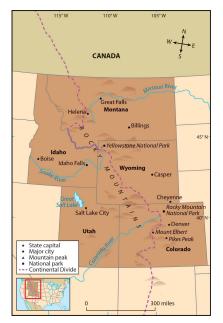
The Midwest is known for its farms, factories, rivers, and lakes.



CANADA Grand Forks North Dakota Fargo Bismarck South Dakota * Pierre Rapid City Mount Rushmore Sioux Falls Nebraska Omaha Lincoln * Topeka Kansas City Kansas Wichita A Oklahoma Tulsa Oklahoma City * State capital Major city 200 miles National monument

The Great Plains is known as America's Breadbasket.





The Rocky Mountains run from Canada through Colorado, Wyoming, Montana, Idaho, and Utah.





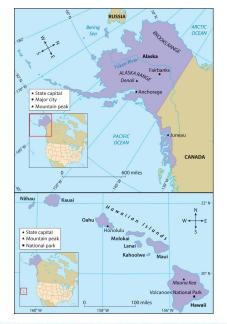
The Southwest includes the Grand Canyon and a large desert.



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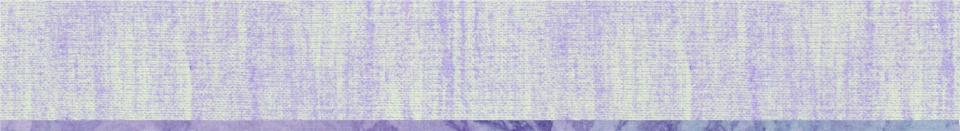
The West Coast includes California and the Pacific Northwest.





Alaska and Hawaii are not connected to the mainland of the United States.





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