

Checks and Balances Worksheet

Using your textbook and a copy of the Constitution of the United States, complete the chart below. For each governmental power listed, identify the branch having the power and the branch checking the power.

Power to...	This branch has this power	This branch checks this power (could be more than one)
1. Create and pass legislation		
2. Veto bills		
3. Ratify treaties		
4. Appoint Federal judges		
5. Impeach the President		
6. Confirm the appointment of presidential appointments		
7. Declare laws unconstitutional		
8. Override presidential vetoes		
9. Appoint Supreme Court judges for life		
10. Control appropriations of money		

*NOTE: This worksheet is based on a chart found in a lesson on checks and balances that can be found at <http://www.cyberlearning-world.com/lessons/checks.htm>. Answers are also available at this site.