

Three Branches and Shared Power



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Use the material to work through each task. Show the requested response.

Broad federal roles

Congress, the legislative branch, makes federal laws. The executive branch carries out federal laws. The judicial branch interprets laws in cases. Checks and balances distribute powers among branches.

1. Which branch includes Congress?

2. Which branch carries out federal laws?

3. Sort the broad roles.

A. Makes federal laws		B. Carries out federal laws	
C. Interprets laws in cases			
Legislative	Executive		Judicial

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4. Which branch handles interpretation in legal cases?

5. Why have more than one branch?

6. Does the short role chart describe every federal power?

