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Teacher Key

1. Name the 3 branches of government and one job or role in the government.

Legislative branch: Propose bills and laws, confirm Supreme Court nominees

Judicial branch: The court system in the federal government; decide if laws are unconstitutional

Executive branch: Nominate Supreme court justices, pass laws or veto bills

2. Why is it important to have checks and balances in a government?

To make sure one branch or person does not become too powerful and start making decisions without the support of others in the government.

3. Can a bill become a law if a president vetoes it?

Yes, a bill can become a law if 2/3 or the majority of Congress overrides the veto.