



Phase I: Introduction to the National E-Congress Study Guide

Structure (1)

- 1) Congress is the law-making, or _____ branch of government.
- 2) The U.S. Congress has two houses, the Senate and the _____. Another word for a two house legislature is _____.

Structure (2)

- 3) The House of Representatives has _____ members. There are _____ representatives from my state.
- 4) This is the _____th session of Congress.

Structure (3)

- 5) The Speaker of the House of Representatives is elected by the _____ party.
- 6) The _____ Party has the most seats in the House of Representatives.
- 7) The donkey in the political cartoon on this page represents the _____ Party.
- 8) What is the cartoonist's point about political parties in this session of Congress?

Structure (4)

- 9) Permanent committees in Congress are also called _____ committees.

Responsibilities (1)

- 10) The people that an elected official represents are called _____.

Responsibilities (2)

- 11) Your personal beliefs about government are known as your _____.

Responsibilities (3)

- 12) Representatives have many responsibilities. Two examples are:
 - a) _____
 - b) _____

Responsibilities (4)

- 13) Members of Congress are less diverse, more likely to be male, richer, older and better educated than the rest of the United States. Should this concern us? Why or why not?

Creation of Laws (1)

- 14) A bill is a _____.

Creation of Laws (2)

- 15) Most bills never make it out of _____.
- 16) A change to a bill is also called an _____.

Creation of Laws (3)

- 17) To become law, a bill must be approved by the House of Representatives, the _____, and the _____.