# Local, State, and Federal Government - Vocab Cards

### Congress ]>

the group of people who are elected to make laws in the United States. It is made up of the Senate and the House of Representatives.

If you meet a member of \_Congress\_, he or she will either be a Senator or a member of the House of Representatives.



Synonyms: legislative branch

Use this word in a sentence or give an example to show you understand its meaning:

Make a connection between this word and another word or idea:

### council ]>

a group of people who give advice or make decisions, rules or laws about something.

The town \_council\_ met to discuss the budget for the upcoming year.

Synonyms: committee, assembly, board



Use this word in a sentence or give an example to show you understand its meaning:

### federal ]>

#### of or relating to the national government.

The \_federal\_ government--not the state government--is in control of the postal service.

Synonyms: national Antonyms: local



Use this word in a sentence or give an example to show you understand its meaning:

Draw this vocab word or an example of it:

### government ]>

# the group of people responsible for making decisions for a city, state, country, etc.

We petitioned the \_government\_ to improve the subway system. We knew it would really benefit the city!

Synonyms: administration, authority, management



Use this word in a sentence or give an example to show you understand its meaning:

a person who is elected to lead the government of a certain region, especially a US state.  She was elected to be the _governor_ after a successful term as mayor of the state's largest city.	
Use this word in a sentence or give an example to show you understand its meaning:	Draw this vocab word or an example of it:
<pre>judge ]&gt; a person appointed to make decisions about cases in a court of law. When a _judge_ enters a court room, people are asked to stand up.</pre>	
Use this word in a sentence or give an example to show you understand its meaning:	Draw this vocab word or an example of it:

## local ]>

nearby, or having to do with a certain place.

Your \_local\_ farmers market is a great place to buy food that's been grown close to your home.

Synonyms: regional, neighboring Antonyms: global, worldwide

Local can also be used as a noun, like in this sentence: "The locals

know the town better than people who are just visiting."



Use this word in a sentence or give an example to show you understand its meaning:

Draw this vocab word or an example of it:

## mayor ]>

a person who is elected to lead the government of a city or town.

The \_mayor\_ of New York City can only hold office for two consecutive four-year terms.

mayor

Use this word in a sentence or give an example to show you understand its meaning:

### president ]>

### the elected leader of a country's government.

Every four years, Americans vote to choose a new \_president\_ to lead the United States.



Use this word in a sentence or give an example to show you understand its meaning:

Draw this vocab word or an example of it:

### state ]>

a region, generally consisting of multiple cities, towns, or villages, that is part of a country but also has its own government.

I used to live in Oklahoma, but I wanted to live in the same \_state\_ as my brother so I moved to lowa.



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