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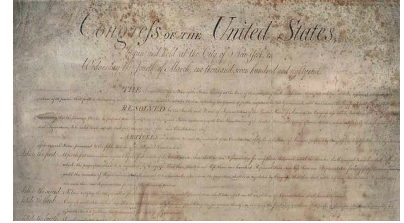
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Seven Principles of the Constitution - Vocab Cards

Bill of Rights]>

the first ten amendments to the US Constitution, ratified in 1791 and guaranteeing fundamental rights to the people of the United States.

The amendments in the _Bill of Rights_ guarantee rights like freedom of speech and worship.



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

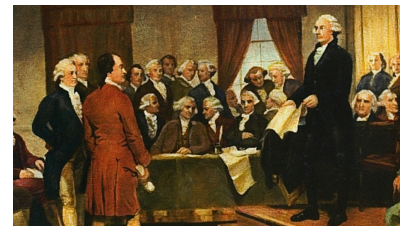
Make a connection between this word and another word or idea:

constitution]>

the document that describes the principles and laws of a country, state, or organization.

When questions arise, the Supreme Court is tasked with interpreting the US _Constitution_ and determining what the basic laws of the country express.

Synonyms: charter, legislation



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Draw this vocab word or an example of it:

executive branch]>

the part of government led by the president of the United States. It is responsible for carrying out laws and administering public services.

The president sits at the top of the _executive branch_ of the government.



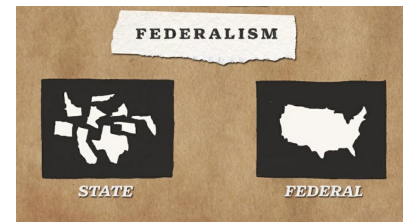
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federalism]>

a system of government in which states or territories are governed by two levels of government, often local and national.

America opted for _federalism_, establishing a national government that granted certain powers to 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:

judicial branch]>

the branch of government that is responsible for interpreting and evaluating laws.

The Supreme Court is the head of the _judicial branch_ and is the highest court in the United States. It decides if laws violate the Constitution.



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legislative branch]>

the branch of government that makes laws.

Andre dreams of becoming a congressman so he can work in the _legislative branch_ of government and create laws that will help people.

Synonyms: Congress



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:

monarchy]>

a form of government in which a country is ruled by a king or queen.

Lesotho, a country in southern Africa, is ruled by a king. That makes it a _monarchy_.

Synonyms: kingdom, throne



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

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republic]>

a country governed by elected representatives instead of a monarch.

The United States is a _republic_ headed by a president.



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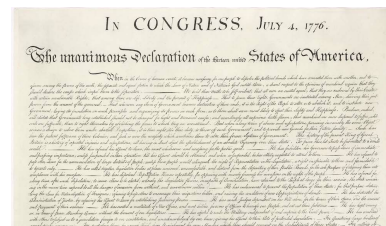
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sovereignty]>

a country's right to rule itself.

With the signing of the Declaration of Independence, the US declared _sovereignty_ from England.

Synonyms: autonomy, freedom, independence



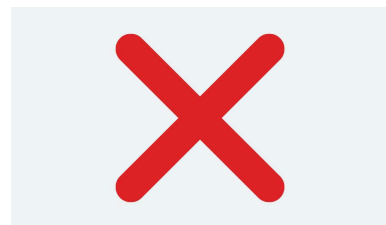
Use this word in a sentence or give an example to show you understand its meaning:

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veto]>

to reject or cancel a decision or proposal using official authority.

The president disagreed with the new tax proposal and _vetoed_ the bill the minute it reached her desk.



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