

- Born January 17, 1706, in Boston, Massachusetts
- Prominent printer, author, philosopher, politician, postmaster, inventor, civic activist, diplomat, and abolitionist
- Published many of his own writings, including "Poor Richard's Almanack"
- Invented many things, including bifocals, the lightning rod, the glass armonica, and the Franklin stove
- Developed the first postal service, volunteer fire department, and library in the States
- The only person to sign all four primary documents of the founding of the United States



Benjamin Franklin

"The noblest question in the world is, What Good may I do in it?"

- ★ Smile and be kind to everyone
- ★ Help with meals (cooking and cleanup)
- ★ Do a fundraiser to sponsor a clean water borehole in Africa



Article I, Section 3 continued

Who is the current President of the Senate?

Kamala Harris

When does the Vice President get to vote in the Senate?

If there is a tie on a vote

In everyday activities, the leader of the Senate is called the Senate majority leader, and is the head of the majority party (the party with the most members in the Senate). Who is the current Senate majority leader?

Chuck Schumer

pro tempore: for the time being

The House of Representatives has the sole power to bring charges of impeachment; the Senate has the sole power to try all impeachments.

Underline the proportion of the Senate that must vote to convict in order to remove a Federal official.

In the clause to the right, underline two punishments that can happen to someone who is convicted in an impeachment trial.

The Vice President of the United States shall be President of the Senate, but shall have no Vote, unless they be equally divided.



The Senate shall chuse their other Officers, and also a President pro tempore, in the Absence of the Vice President, or when he shall exercise the Office of President of the United States.



The Senate shall have the sole Power to try all Impeachments. When sitting for that Purpose, they shall be on Oath or Affirmation. When the President of the United States is tried, the Chief Justice shall preside: And no Person shall be convicted without the Concurrence of two thirds of the Members present.



Judgment in Cases of Impeachment shall not extend further than to removal from Office, and disqualification to hold and enjoy any Office of honor, Trust or Profit under the United States; but the Party convicted shall nevertheless be liable and subject to Indictment, Trial, Judgment and Punishment, according to Law.



House of Representatives		Senate
<i>435</i>	Number of Members	<i>100</i>
<i>2 years</i>	Length of Term	<i>6 years</i>
<i>25 years old people</i>	Minimum Age Allowed	<i>30 years old</i>
<i>Speaker of the House</i>	Who It Represents	<i>states</i>
<i>bring charges</i>	Official Leader	<i>Vice President</i>
	Impeachment Duties	<i>try impeachments</i>



SEPARATION OF POWERS



Checks & Balances



LEGISLATIVE POWERS

- Makes laws
- Declares war
- Approves cabinet members
- Debates and passes bills
- Decides how to spend Federal \$\$\$

- Can impeach & remove a President
- Can override a Presidential veto
- Can refuse to approve of Presidential appointments
- Can propose bills & call special sessions of Congress
- Can veto bills



EXECUTIVE POWERS

- Chooses Cabinet members
- Appoints ambassadors
- Acts as Commander in Chief
- Enforces laws that have been passed
- Vetoes bills
- Signs bills

- Can grant pardons
- Appoints all Federal judges
- Can declare executive actions unconstitutional

- Can declare laws to be unconstitutional
- Can impeach & remove Federal judges
- Can propose amendments to override judicial decisions



JUDICIAL POWER

- Interprets laws
- Rules a law unconstitutional
- Writes a majority or dissenting opinion

WE THE PEOPLE
of the United States, **IN**
ORDER TO FORM A MORE
PERFECT UNION, establish
Justice, insure domestic
Tranquility, **PROVIDE**
FOR THE COMMON
DEFENSE, promote the
GENERAL WELFARE, and
SECURE THE BLESSINGS OF
LIBERTY TO OURSELVES
AND OUR POSTERITY,
do ordain and establish this
CONSTITUTION FOR THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

CREATE A BOOKMARK!

Instructions: Read the quotes below either individually or as a class. Then design and create a bookmark in the box to the right that you think might convince someone that they should read and learn the US Constitution. Be creative! You can use part of a quote word-for-word or write it in your own words. You can even come up with a slogan! Draw it in creative fonts and colors, if desired.

☆ **Thomas Jefferson:** If a nation expects to be ignorant and free, in a state of civilization, it expects what never was and never will be.

☆ **James Madison:** I believe there are more instances of the abridgement of the freedom of the people by gradual and silent encroachments of those in power than by violent and sudden usurpations.

☆ **Thomas Jefferson:** Eternal vigilance is the price of liberty.

☆ **John Jay:** Every member of the State ought diligently to read and to study the constitution of his country, and teach the rising generation to be free. By knowing their rights, they will sooner perceive when they are violated, and be the better prepared to defend and assert them.

☆ **Ronald Reagan:** Without God, there is no virtue because there is no prompting of the conscience. . . . Without God, there is a coarsening of the society. Without God, democracy will not and cannot long endure. If we ever forget that we are one nation under God, then we will be a nation gone under.

