



Branches of Government

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Grade: Grade 5

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The three branches are legislative, executive, and judicial. The legislative branch makes laws, the executive branch enforces laws, and the judicial branch interprets laws.

2. Why do you think the writers of the Constitution created three branches instead of one?

They wanted to stop one person or group from having too much power. With three branches, each one can check the others so the government stays fair.
