

Understanding Checks and Balances:

Using the chart in your book on page 143, and the Constitution (starting on page 154), answer the questions below.

- 1) Which branch approves or vetoes bills?
- 2) Which branch grants pardons?
- 3) Which branch appoints justices?
- 4) Which branch passes laws?
- 5) Which branch may impeach the President?
- 6) Which branch decides whether laws are constitutional?
- 7) What is the job of the Legislative Branch? Describe the two house system of Congress.
- 8) What is the job of the Judicial Branch? What is the top court in the United States?
- 9) What is the job of the Executive Branch? Who is the top person in charge of the Executive Branch?
- 10) How can the constitution be changed (amended)?