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### Constitution Test Study Guide

**Directions:** Answer the following questions. Be careful to find the correct answers, because you will use these notes to study for the test. The test will be worth 30 points. You will receive 10 points for turning this paper in before the test. **Study this completed paper!**

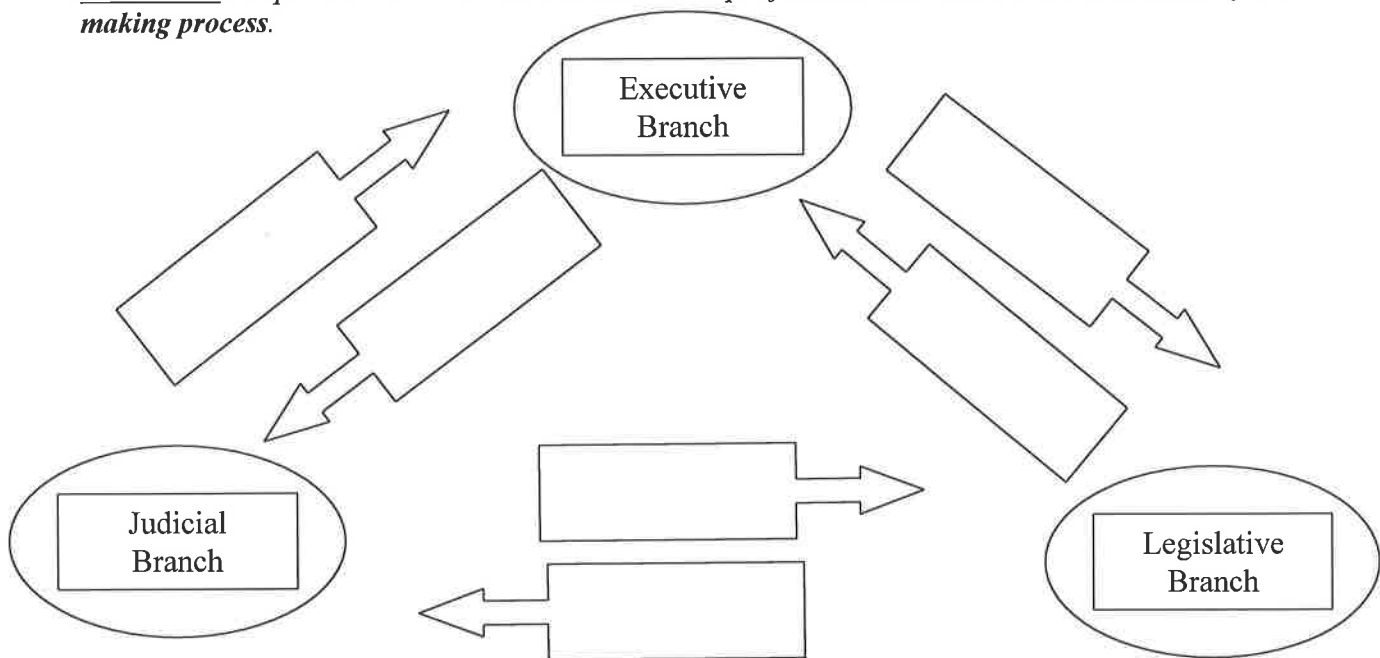
#### VOCABULARY SECTION

*Directions:* Complete the following fill-in-the-blanks.

1. the introduction to a formal document, especially the Constitution \_\_\_\_\_
2. a formal plan of government \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_ branch; the branch of government, including the federal court system, that interprets the nation's laws
4. \_\_\_\_\_ and balances; the system in which each branch of government has a check on the other two branches so that no one branch becomes too powerful
5. an addition to a formal document such as the Constitution \_\_\_\_\_
6. \_\_\_\_\_ branch; the branch of government that makes the nation's laws
7. \_\_\_\_\_ College; a special group of voters selected by their state legislatures to vote for the president and vice president
8. to give official approval to \_\_\_\_\_
9. \_\_\_\_\_ branch; the branch of government, headed by the president, that carries out the nation's laws and policies
10. a part of a document, such as the Constitution, that deals with a single subject \_\_\_\_\_

#### CHECKS AND BALANCES SECTION

*Directions:* Complete this chart to show how the concept of checks and balances works **in terms of the law-making process**.



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**BRANCHES OF GOVERNMENT SECTION**

*Directions: Fill in the following chart with the correct information. On the test, you will be expected to create your own chart.*

Names of Branches			
People who are in the branch			
One power the branch has			

**AMENDMENT STORY PROBLEMS**

*Directions: Read each story and decide which amendment applies to the situation. Write the correct amendment number on the line to the left of the question number. There will be stories like this on the test. You will have a small copy of the Constitution to refer to during the test.*

\_\_\_\_\_ 1. Bill Clinton wants to be the president for four more years. Which amendment says whether or not he can do this?

\_\_\_\_\_ 2. Twelve-year old Sam gets caught shoplifting a Snickers Bar from Albertson's. The judge sentences him to life in prison. Which amendment says whether or not the judge can do this?

\_\_\_\_\_ 3. Nineteen-year old Cindy went to register to vote, but was told she was too young. Which amendment proves that Cindy was lied to?

\_\_\_\_\_ 4. Amendment 18 states that the sale of alcohol is illegal. What amendment made alcohol legal again?

\_\_\_\_\_ 5. Five students got caught burning a flag on campus to protest the presidential election outcome. The principal expelled them. Which amendment says whether or not the principal can do this?