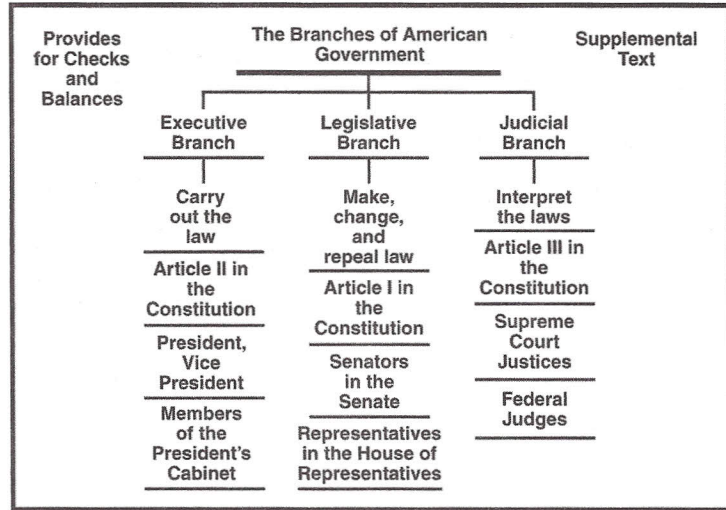


Government and Civics

A **Tree Map** can be used to categorize key information about the three branches of government in the United States or the branches of any government.

Students should add a **Frame of Reference** to add either the sources they used to gather this information or to identify (as this example shows) the context within which the Branches of Government were established.



To add to their understanding of “checks and balances,” students can use a **Flow Map** to show the process necessary for a “Bill Becomes a Law.”

Students can use a **Bridge Map** to connect what they know about government with national, state, and local positions. They can then take this relationship into their personal lives in order to add more meaning to their understanding.

