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## Judicial Branch



1. What group serves as the head of the Judicial Branch?
  - a. U.S. Federal Court of Appeals
  - b. the Senate
  - c. Supreme Court
  - d. the Cabinet
2. How many justices serve on the U.S. Supreme Court?
  - a. 9
  - b. 11
  - c. 13
  - d. 15
3. What is **NOT** a power of the Judicial Branch?
  - a. interpret laws
  - b. appoint justices to the Supreme Court
  - c. review court decisions
  - d. settle cases between two or more states
4. How long is the term of service for a Supreme Court Justice?
  - a. 2 years
  - b. 4 years
  - c. 8 years
  - d. for life or until resignation
5. How does the Judicial Branch check the powers of the other two branches?  
(Circle two answers.)
  - a. declare laws unconstitutional
  - b. approve Presidential appointments
  - c. veto laws
  - d. declare executive actions unconstitutional
6. What is the duty of the Judicial Branch?
  - a. sign/veto laws
  - b. write laws
  - c. interpret laws
  - d. negotiate treaties
7. The Supreme Court uses the interpretation of what document as a guide in court decisions?
  - a. Social Security Act
  - b. U.S. Constitution
  - c. Declaration of Independence
  - d. Articles of Confederation
8. What is the title for the head of the Supreme Court?
  - a. Associate Justice
  - b. Senior Judge
  - c. magistrate
  - d. Chief Justice

# ANSWER KEY

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  - b. appoint justices to the Supreme Court**
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