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MATCHING

Match each word to the statement that best describes it. Some words may be used more than once.

A – CABINET

E – CONGRESS

I – JUDICIAL BRANCH

B – CHECKS AND BALANCES

F – EXECUTIVE BRANCH

J – LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

C – COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF

G – HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

K – SENATE

D – CONSTITUTION

H – IMPEACHMENT

L – SUPREME COURT

- 1. A system in which no one government branch has too much power
- 2. A tool the legislative branch has to remove the President or a Supreme Court justice
- 3. Made up of the President, Vice President, and heads of government agencies and departments
- 4. Made up of 100 members—two from each state
- 5. The document that established U.S. government branches
- 6. The name given to the House of Representatives and Senate together
- 7. Made up of nine justices who review and rule on court cases
- 8. The government branch with the job of writing new laws
- 9. The government branch that carries out laws and directs foreign policy and national defense
- 10. The members of this group are determined by the population of each state
- 11. The government branch that interprets the Constitution and shapes the law
- 12. Advises the president, and its members must be approved by the legislative branch
- 13. Has the power to consider treaties with foreign countries
- 14. Title the President has over the military
- 15. Has the power to introduce government spending bills