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| U.S. Government | | |
| Legislative | Executive | Judicial |
| Approves budget  Writes, debates, and passes bills into laws  Can impeach an official  Controls federal taxes and spending  Oversees interstate and foreign commerce  Can declare war on other countries | Makes treaties with other nations  Is Commander in Chief of the Armed Forces  Suggests plan for federal budget  Enforces laws  Can veto a bill | Can declare executive actions unconstitutional  Decides arguments about the meaning of laws  Decides if a law or government action violates the Constitution  Makes the decision in disagreements among branches of the federal government |