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Civics and Government

- analyze the role of citizens in our government.
- explain what the qualifications of a U.S. citizen are.
- analyze how the definition of a citizen has evolved over time.
- explain how different groups of citizens' participation has increased over time.
- differentiate between the different theories of the origins of governments and explain how the U.S. government came to be.
- explain the purpose of government.
- recognize and differentiate between the different theories of democracy.
- recognize the importance of the rule of law in order for governments to properly function.
- analyze the governments of other nations and identify similarities and differences.
- recognize how the U.S. Constitution sets the parameters for making laws.
- differentiate between the powers of government and where that authority lies based on the U.S. Constitution.
- compare the government responsibilities as established in the U.S. Constitution and interpret each branch's responsibilities.
- analyze the U.S. Constitution to determine the limits of government.
- explain the relationships between the three branches of government.
- recognize and explain governmental concepts, terms, and vocabulary.