



OREGON

Social Sciences – Civics and Government Grade 8
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OBJECTIVES	PAGE REFERENCES
CIVICS AND GOVERNMENT: Understand and apply knowledge about governmental and political systems, and the rights and responsibilities of citizens.	
Understand the origins, purposes, and functions of U.S. government, including the structure and meaning of the U.S. Constitution.	
Understand the purposes of government and the basic constitutional principles of the United States republican form of government.	
Understand the purposes of government as stated in the Constitution and the specific provisions that limit the power of government in order to protect the rights of individuals.	SE: 7-12, 55-59, 82-87 <i>Evaluating Charts</i> 8, 11, 91, 92 <i>The Constitution of the United States</i> 60-81 TWE: PR 4 CTA 86
<i>Distinguish the purposes of government as stated in the Preamble.</i>	SE: 83 <i>The Constitution of the United States</i> 61 TWE: BMA 60
<i>Understand how the power of government is limited in the United States.</i>	SE: 10-12, 91-93 <i>Evaluating Charts</i> 11, 91, 92 TWE: RT 7, 63, 90 BMA 66 EC 75
<i>Recognize the provisions of the Bill of Rights (Amendments 1-10) that protect individual rights.</i>	SE: 98-101, 103-107 <i>The Constitution of the United States</i> 72-73 <i>Evaluating Charts</i> 90, 99, 104 TWE: EC 72, 75 CTA 73 CC 73
Understand the organization, responsibilities, and interrelationships of local, state, and federal governments in the United States.	
Understand the responsibilities and interrelationships of local, state, and national government in the U.S.	
Identify and distinguish how powers and responsibilities are distributed and balanced among the federal, state, and local levels.	SE: 9-10, 92-93, 282-286 <i>Evaluating Charts</i> 92, 284 TWE: RT 7, 10, 56 BMA 70 ICA 92
<i>Identify the power and/or responsibility of each level of government.</i>	SE: 9-10, 92-93, 282-286 <i>Evaluating Charts</i> 92, 284 TWE: RT 7, 10, 56 BMA 70 ICA 92
<i>Understand how laws are made and enforced at the federal, state, and local levels.</i>	SE: 157-161, 171-174, 179-185, 287-290, 292-295, 306-311, 312-314, 315-318 <i>Evaluating Charts</i> 160 TWE: ICA 285

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Understand the roles of the three branches of government and explain how their powers are distributed and shared.	
Understand the roles and powers of the executive, legislative, and judicial branches.	
Understand the powers of each branch of government as stated in the Constitution.	SE: 83-85, 146-150, 171-174, 175-178, 202-204 <i>Evaluating Charts</i> 84, 91, 149, 160, 207
<i>Understand the basic idea of checks and balances of each branch of the federal government.</i>	SE: 91-92, 150, 203-204 <i>Evaluating Charts</i> 91 TWE: RT 63, 90, 147 BMA 66
<i>Identify the legislative, executive, and judicial institutions at each level of government.</i>	SE: 138-144, 166-169, 192-195, 287-290, 292-295, 297-300, 306-311, 312-314, 315-318 <i>Evaluating Charts</i> 284
<i>Understand the powers and responsibilities of the executive branch of government.</i>	SE: 166-169, 171-174, 175-178, 179-185 <i>Evaluating Charts</i> 91, 183 TWE: BMA 66 DI 67, 181 RT 180
<i>Understand how courts are organized by level and jurisdiction, and that law is divided into Constitutional Law, criminal law, and civil law.</i>	SE: 192-195, 196-199, 200-204, 206-210, 348-350 <i>Interpreting Maps</i> 193 <i>Evaluating Charts</i> 197, 366, 371 TWE: DI 194
Understand personal and political rights of citizens in the United States.	
Understand the roles, rights, and responsibilities of citizens in the United States.	
Understand citizens' rights and how the Constitution protects those rights.	SE: 98-101, 103-107 <i>The Constitution of the United States</i> 72-73 <i>Evaluating Charts</i> 90, 99, 104 TWE: EC 72, 75 CTA 73 CC 73
<i>Identify and understand the rights of citizens guaranteed under the Bill of Rights.</i>	SE: 98-101, 103-107 <i>The Constitution of the United States</i> 72-73 <i>Evaluating Charts</i> 90, 99, 104 TWE: EC 72, 75 CTA 73 CC 73
Understand participatory responsibilities of citizens in the community (voluntarism) and in the political process (becoming informed about public issues and candidates, joining political parties/interest groups/associations, communicating with public officials, voting, influencing lawmaking through such processes as petitions/initiatives).	
Understand the participatory obligations of U.S. citizens.	
Understand how citizens can make their voices heard in the political process.	SE: 122-123, 226, 236-240, 258-262, 270-275 TWE: RT 121, 271 ICA 123, 261, 273
<i>Identify and give examples of ways that citizens can let their opinions be known in the political process.</i>	SE: 122-123, 226, 236-240, 258-262, 270-275 TWE: RT 121, 271 ICA 123, 261, 273

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Understand how government is influenced and changed by support and dissent of individuals, groups, and international organizations.	
Understand how individuals, groups, and international organizations influence government.	
Identify and give examples of how groups and organizations can influence the actions of government.	SE: 122-123, 226, 236-240, 258-262, 270-275 TWE: RT 121, 271 ICA 123, 261, 273
<i>Identify and give examples of how groups and organizations can influence government policy or decisions and describe how these actions can lead to such influence.</i>	SE: 122-123, 226, 236-240, 258-262, 270-275 TWE: RT 121, 271 ICA 123, 261, 273
Understand how nations interact with each other, how events and issues in other countries can affect citizens in the United States, and how actions and concepts of democracy and individual rights of the United States can affect other peoples and nations.	
Understand how the United States government relates and interacts with other nations.	
Understand how actions of the U.S. government affect citizens of both the United States and other countries.	SE: 564-570, 610-612, 614, 617-621, 627 <i>Time Reports</i> 630-631 TWE: ICA 9 RT 565 DI 624
<i>Know how the U.S. government affects citizens of other countries.</i>	SE: 564-570, 610-612, 614, 617-621, 622-627 TWE: ICA 9 RT 565, 568 CC 568 EC 569
<i>Know how U.S. government actions with other nations affect citizens of the United States.</i>	SE: 564-570, 610-612, 617-621, 627 <i>Time Reports</i> 630-631 TWE: ICA 9 RT 565
Analyze major political systems of the world.	
Understand that there are different ways for governments to be organized and to hold power.	
Understand various forms of government.	SE: 10, 588-593, 595-598, 602-604 <i>Evaluating Charts</i> 590, 596 <i>Interpreting Maps</i> 591 TWE: PR 586 RT 589, 600
<i>Compare and contrast various forms of government to the United States' government.</i>	SE: 10-12, 572-575, 588-593 <i>Evaluating Charts</i> 590, 596 TWE: ICA 591 RT 592

Codes Used for TWE Codes

BMA	Bellringer Motivational Activity
CC	Curriculum Connection
CTA	Critical Thinking Activity
DI	Differentiated Instruction
EC	Extending the Content
ICA	Interdisciplinary Connections Activity
PR	Purpose for Reading
RT	Reading the Text