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RECONSTRUCT the mixed up le	etters –		
DECIDE whether the following state	tements a	re TRUE	or FALSE –
UNSCRAMBLE the sentences – ;	,		
MATCH the two parts of each state	ement –	<b>«</b>	· , »,
TRANSLATE into English – FILL IN the gaps – «	· »,		
NB:			
sth – something ( - , , - sb – somebody ( - , , -	, - , -	)	

# SECTION 1 STATE SYSTEM

## TASK 1.1. CHECK your vocabulary for law

## A) SEARCH OUT an odd word

pitiful	gainful	profitable	beneficial
amicable	peaceful	patriotic	unaggressive
impatient	meaningful	important	significant
bright	vivid	colourful	wasteful of words
multilevel	multiway	multichannel	multiline
rejected	unpleasant	unadopted	unaccepted
unharmed	unbroken	undivided	undergone
idleness	liberty	freedom	self-dependence
knight	kingdom	empire	tzardom
mother wit	wisdom	exclusivity	common sense
melancholy	monopoly	boredom	monotony
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### B) SEARCH OUT an odd word

a. subsection	submarket	subdivision	subunit
b. override	reject	overrange	annul
c. overreach	overrespond	overreact	take to heart
d. excess	overrun	plenty	overrule
e. outprice	outpace	overpay	overbuy
f. overweight	overload	overburden	overwear

## C) SEARCH OUT an odd word

a. Congress	Senate	legislature	preamble
b. changes	treaties	additions	amendments
c. White House	Vice President	Executive	Representatives
d. judiciary	judge	senator	court
e. Cabinet	department	Tax Court	agency

## D) GIVE pairs of synonyms

break, abolish, set up, structure,	ban, duty, continental, include,
responsibility, contiguous, comprise,	violate, framework, sovereign,
freedom, manage, monarch	govern, liberty, establish

# E) COMBINE the words into two-word phrases; then translate them into Russian

fixed	health
leap	period
popular	courts
foreign	affairs
urban	review
public	term
circuit	participation
administrative	regulations
unexpired	development
judicial	year

#### TASK 1.2. MATCH the words and the definitions

administrative, override, independence, interpret, tie, appoint, budget, amendment, treaty, governor, impeach, parliament, provide, democracy, share, ambassador, oath, integrity, inauguration, impeachment, sovereignty, decree, plenipotentiary representative, emergency, term

- 1) a change made to a law;
- 2) a formal promise;
- 3) a period of time during which a politician or other official holds their job;
- 4) a person who has the authority to represent his or her country, especially in another country;
- 5) a senior diplomat who lives in a foreign country and represents his or her own country there;
- 6) a situation when opponents both have the same number of points or votes so neither wins in a competition;
- 7) a system of government in which people vote in elections to choose the people who will govern them;
  - 8) an official decision or order made by a leader or a government;
  - 9) an official written agreement between two or more countries;
- 10) an unexpected situation involving danger in which immediate action is necessary;
  - 11) freedom from control by another country or organization;
- 12) relating to the management of a country, company, organization, or institution;
  - 13) the amount of money a government has to spend;
  - 14) the main law-making institution in some countries;

- 15) the official ceremony to celebrate that the president is starting his job;
- 16) the political leader of a state in the US;
- 17) the process of formally accusing a public official of committing a serious crime relating to their job;
  - 18) the quality of being complete or whole, without missing parts;
  - 19) the right of a country to rule itself;
  - 20) to accuse a public figure of a serious crime;
- 21) to use, to have or to do something at the same time as someone else; to be responsible for something with somebody else;
  - 22) to explain the meaning of something;
  - 23) to give somebody something that they want or need;
  - 24) to officially choose someone for a job;
  - 25) to use authority to ignore or change someone's decision.

#### TASK 1.3. UNSCRAMBLE the sentences

- 1) a democratic, with a republican form, adopted, declares, federative, of government, in 1993, law-based state, Russia, the Constitution of the RF;
- 2) according to, and principles, federal laws, in accordance with, international law, must be formulated, the national Constitution;
- 3) and important documents, customs and conventions, based on statutes, case law, is an unwritten constitution, the British Constitution;
- 4) are rules and practices, as indispensable to, but which are regarded, conventions, the working of government, which are not legally enforceable;
  - 5) for approval, as a rule, goes to the head of the country, or veto, the bill;
- 6) in two houses, in the case of bicameral legislature, is vested, of making laws, the power;
- 7) composed of, is, members, or other political subdivisions, representing states, the upper house;
- 8) unwise legislation, necessary, provides, the legislative experience, the upper house, to control;
- 9) an equal number, composed, is, of citizens, of members, representing, the lower house;
- 10) by the Constitution, are limited, most legislatures, in their powers, of the country, or organic law;
- 11) a proposed law, placed before a legislative body, bill is, debate and enactment, for examination;
- 12) constitute, of bills, day-to-day parliamentary activity, the introduction and processing, the main;
- 13) a favorable majority vote, if the bill receives, in one chamber, it is sent to the other, takes place, where a similar procedure;

- 14) by a conference committee, discussed by the chambers, any differences, are resolved, between versions of a bill;
- 15) between the Legislature, in Great Britain, is only theoretical, of the separation of powers, the constitutional safeguard, the Executive and the Judiciary.

TASK 1.4. COMBINE the words into two-word phrases; then translate them into Russian

grant	property
bring	a treaty
manage	the proposal
hold	cases
make	the constitution
veto	office
submit	charge
adopt	a bill
resolve	amnesty
violate	measures

TASK 1.5. CHO	OOSE the appro	opriate answer	
1. How many levels of	government do A	mericans have in the US?	
a) 1	b) 2	c) 3	
2. What level makes la	ws for the nation?		
a) local	b) state	c) federal	
3. How many members	s of Congress shou	ald vote to override President's veto?	
a) 3/4	b) 2/3	c) all members	
4. Who presides over t	he meetings of the	Senate?	
a) the Speaker	b) a Representati	ve c) the Vice President	
5. How many years can	n someone be the	US President?	
a) 2	b) 8	c) 16	
6. How many members	s are there in the H	Iouse of Representatives?	
a) 455	b) 435	c) 100	
7. How many years do	Representatives s	erve in the House?	
a) 2	b) 4	c) 6	
8. How many members are there in the US Senate?			
a) 435	b) 100	c) 50	
9. The Senate ratifies between the US and a foreign countries.			
a) laws	b) taxes	c) treaties	
10. How many amendments constitute the Bill of Rights?			
a) 10	b) 5	c) 15	

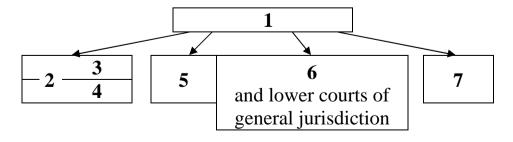
#### TASK 1.6. TRANSLATE into English

# TASK 1.7. DECIDE whether the following statements are TRUE or FALSE. Correct the false statements

- 1. The President deliberates and then enacts legislation in the US.
- 2. Every century Americans write a new version of their constitution.
- 3. The US Supreme Court interprets federal laws as well as state and local ones.
- 4. Improvements and updating of the US Constitution are called amendments.
- 5. Every 6 years there is the presidential election in the USA where a President is chosen together with a Vice President.
  - 6. The US President may be elected for life.
  - 7. All states have the same number of Senators and Representatives.
- 8. The head of the House of Representatives is the Speaker who is elected by the House and acts as the leader of the majority party in the House of Representatives.
- 9. The House of Representatives and the Senate together are called the Supreme Court.

#### **TASK 1.8. PTACTICE**

# A) DEFINE the number of each federal organ according to the chart of the division of powers in the Russian Federation:



- the Constitutional Court of the RF;
- the Federation Council;

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