



**The Nation's Favorite Fun Family Newspaper  
Kidsville News! Brainworks Worksheet  
July Enrichment Activities  
Grades K-2**



**Students:** After reading “Connections,” use information from the article to answer the following questions in complete sentences. If you need more space, continue on the back.

1. What are some of the names by which our country is known?
2. Describe the 50 states of the United States.
3. What are some geographical features of the United States?
4. What are some facts and figures that tell more about America?



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Students: After reading “Around the World,” complete the circle map below to provide information about the United States’ government.  
Record at least five facts in complete sentences.

The U.S. Government



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Students: After reading “Wildville,” write a creative tale about how the eagle got its wings.  
If you need more room, continue your story on the back of the page.



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Answer Key



**Students:** After reading “Connections,” use information from the article to answer the following questions in complete sentences. If more space is needed, continue on the back. **Parents and teachers:** The answers are below. Check to see that answers are in the students’ own words.

**1. What are some of the names by which our country?**

While the United States of America is our country’s official name, it is also called America, the United States, the U.S., the U.S.A. or “the States,” for short.

**2. Describe the 50 states of the United States.**

Fifty states exist in the United States. Washington D.C, which stands for District of Columbia, is a district, not a state. It is in between the states of Virginia and Maryland. The 50 states are Arizona, Washington, Nevada, Colorado, Missouri, New Mexico, Kansas, Tennessee, Florida, Virginia, West Virginia, California, Arkansas, Louisiana, New York, New Jersey, Maine, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Delaware, Maryland, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Oklahoma, North Dakota, South Dakota, Vermont, Ohio, Michigan, Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana, Alabama, Montana, Connecticut, Oregon, Hawaii, Alaska, Idaho and Texas.

**3. What are some geographical features of the United States?**

The major mountain ranges are the Appalachian Mountains and the Rocky Mountains. The longest river in the United States is the Mississippi River. It flows through Mississippi, Colorado and Missouri. Our neighbors are the border counties of Canada to the north and Mexico to the South. America borders the Pacific Ocean on the west and the Atlantic on the eastern side.

**4. What are some facts and figues that tell more about America?**

The population of the U.S. is about 330,175,936. America is the third largest country in the world and nearly has the third largest population of citizens. Located in North America, one of the seven continents, the country comprises 3,794,083 square miles. Each country has an official currency or specific type of money. The American currency is the dollar.

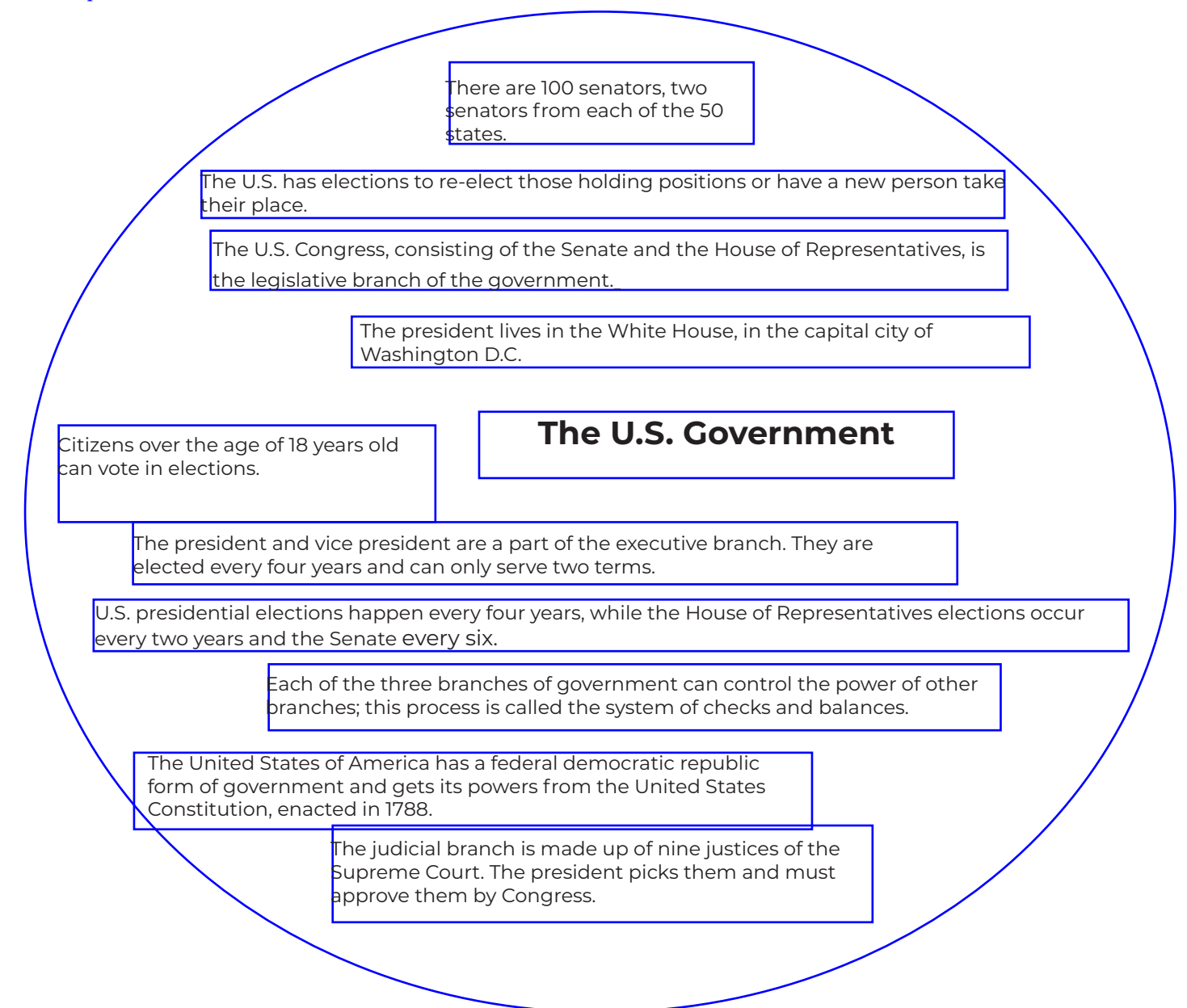


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**Students:** After reading “Around the World,” complete the circle map below to provide information about the United States’ government. Record at least five facts in complete sentences.  
**Parents and teachers:** Ten facts are provided below. K-2 students are to produce any five, and other answers are also possible.



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**Parents and teachers:** Stories will vary.

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