

Social Studies Lesson Plan

For Demonstration of the Instructional Model: Engaging, Teaching, and Assessing with
Technology and Online Resources Integration

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Lesson Topic	Three Branches of Government
Unit	Federal and Government
Subject Area	Civics/Government
Grade Level	3-5
Time	One week

PA Standards

5.3.4.A: Identify the roles of the three branches of government.

NCSS Theme

Power, Authority, and Governance

Learning Objectives

After this lesson, students will understand the three branches of government and their relations to one another as illustrated by the principle of checks and balances.

Engaging

What is the three branches of government

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pyqEAPYnhjk>

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gLQg7G3hkGY&feature=related>

Teaching

Branches of Government

<http://bensguide.gpo.gov/3-5/government/branches.html>

Branches of Government

http://www.sheppardsoftware.com/usa_game/government/branches_government.htm

Teach Executive Branch

http://www.sheppardsoftware.com/usa_game/government/executive_branch.htm

Teach Checks and Balance

http://www.sheppardsoftware.com/usa_game/government/checks_and_balances.htm

Assessing

Matching Game

http://www.texasre.org/branches_game/branches_game.html