

Legislative Branch Glog!



TASK:

You will work in pairs to create a GLOG on the Legislative Branch of the U.S. government. The purpose of this activity is to allow you to investigate the structure of the U.S. Congress, visualize the two houses of Congress and what they do, and synthesize your artifacts to understand our Congress *in action*.

Essential Question ★ How do the actions of Congress reflect the needs of the citizens?

Laundry List of Requirements

REQUIRED COMPONENTS:

- Map showing the city in which the U.S. Congress is located.
- A picture of the building in which the U.S. Congress is located.
- The total number of U.S. Senators.
- The total number of U.S. Representatives.
- Names and pictures of Pennsylvania's U.S. Senators.
- The number of representatives in the U.S. House of Representatives from Pennsylvania.
- The Pennsylvania Congressional District WE LIVE IN.
- The name and a picture of the U.S. Representative serving OUR Congressional District.
- A hyperlink to the Senate Organizational Chart for the 111th Congress (**hint** – check the U.S. Senate website).
- A picture of the current Speaker of the House **and** a link to the Speaker of the House's webpage.
- A picture of the current President of the Senate **and** a link to the President of the Senate's webpage.
- A hyperlink to a Google Doc with your collaborative response to the Essential Question (see above).

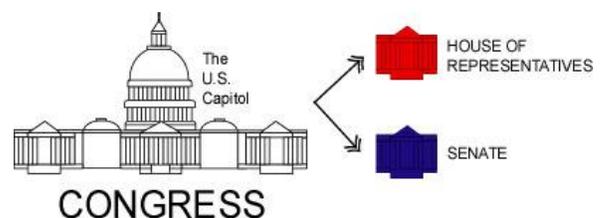
CHOOSE ONE:

- Image of the state with the **most** U.S. Representatives in the House of Representatives.
- Image of one of the states with the **fewest** U.S. Representatives in the House of Representatives.

CHOOSE THREE:

IMPORTANT: For these options, please include hyperlinks to websites where your viewers can learn more about the specific topics, **in addition to the brief synopsis you are required to post on your GLOG.**

- A political cartoon relating to Congress.
- An online news article that relates to a current (past month) piece of legislation in Congress.
- An example of famous legislation (laws) Congress has passed.
- A video or podcast from a Pennsylvania Senator or Congressman from our Congressional District.
- A multimedia component of your choice that *helps you better understand* Congress in Action.





Names



UNIT III – Congress in Action

CATEGORY	10-9	8-6	5-3	2-0
Required Elements	The Glog includes all required elements, and possibly additional information.	Mostly all required elements are included on the Glog.	All but 2 or 3 of the required elements are included on the Glog.	Several required elements were missing.
CATEGORY	4	3	2	1
Content and Accuracy of Text	All information provided by the student on the Glog is accurate.	Almost all the information provided by the student on the Glog is accurate.	Several pieces of the information provided by the student on the Glog is inaccurate.	There are several inaccuracies in the content provided by the student.
Graphics	Graphics are related to the topic and/or purpose, are thoughtfully cropped, are of high quality and enhance reader interest or understanding.	Graphics are related to the topic and/or purpose, are of good quality and enhance reader interest or understanding.	Graphics are related to the topic and/or purpose, and are of good quality.	Graphics seem randomly chosen, are of low quality, OR distract the reader.
Hyperlinks	All links point to high quality, up-to-date, credible sites.	Almost all links point to high quality, up-to-date, credible sites.	Most links point to high quality, up-to-date, credible sites.	Less than 3/4 of the links point to high quality, up-to-date, credible sites.
Layout	The Glog has an exceptionally attractive and usable layout. It is easy to locate all important elements. White space, graphic elements and/or alignment are used effectively to organize material.	The Glog has an attractive and usable layout. It is easy to locate all important elements.	The Glog has a usable layout, but may appear busy or boring. It is easy to locate most of the important elements.	The Glog is cluttered looking or confusing. It is often difficult to locate important elements.
Spelling and Grammar	There are no errors in spelling, punctuation or grammar in the Glog.	There are 1-3 errors in spelling, punctuation or grammar in the Glog.	There are 4-5 errors in spelling, punctuation or grammar in the Glog.	There are more than 5 errors in spelling, punctuation or grammar in the Glog.

Total Points: _____/30 points

Additional Comments: