

1. The judicial branch _____
 - Ⓐ runs most government business and departments
 - Ⓑ writes new laws for the country to vote on
 - Ⓒ helps the branches of government work together
 - Ⓓ watches over the U.S. courts and legal system
2. What is the purpose of the U.S. courts of appeals?
 - Ⓐ to redo the first trial from the district court
 - Ⓑ to decide if cases were handled properly
 - Ⓒ to explain the decision to the losing side
 - Ⓓ to send all cases to the Supreme Court
3. What decision was made by the Supreme Court in the case of *Tinker v. Des Moines Independent Community School District*?
 - Ⓐ Students have the right to free speech in school as long as it is not disruptive.
 - Ⓑ It ended legal school segregation across the U.S. and helped African Americans have equal rights.
 - Ⓒ All U.S. courts need to provide a lawyer for people who cannot afford one.
 - Ⓓ The EPA is required to regulate gases that play a part in global warming.
4. How does the legislative branch check the judicial branch?
 - Ⓐ The legislative branch can choose new justices for the U.S. Supreme Court.
 - Ⓑ The legislative branch can review laws or actions taken by the judicial branch.
 - Ⓒ The legislative branch can impeach federal judges for illegal or dishonest behavior.
 - Ⓓ The legislative branch can overturn decisions made by the U.S. Supreme Court.
5. Lady Justice holds a sword because she represents the _____
 - Ⓐ values of weighing facts
 - Ⓑ power to protect when necessary
 - Ⓒ value of listening for the truth
 - Ⓓ fact that the American justice system is not perfect
6. **Extended Response:** Why is the judicial branch important?