

ANSWERS — THREE BRANCHES OF GOVERNMENT

Name: _____ Date: _____

Educator key

Page 1: role 1 → A (Legislature); 2 → B (Executive); 3 → C (Judiciary).

Page 2: Legislature → Executive → Judiciary.

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2. A department administers a program under existing law. → E
3. A court decides how a law applies to a case. → J
4. Senators vote on a bill. → L
5. A minister directs delivery of a government program. → E
6. A judge hears evidence in a legal dispute. → J
7. The House considers an amendment to a bill. → L
8. Public servants process applications under a law. → E
9. A court determines a lawful remedy in a case. → J
10. Both Houses agree to the same bill text. → L

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11. A department manages a service under legislation. → E

12. A court interprets a disputed legal provision. → J

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ANSWERS — SEPARATION OF POWERS SORTING CARDS

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Legislature: cards 1, 4, 7, 10, 13, 16

Executive: cards 2, 5, 8, 11, 14, 17

Judiciary: cards 3, 6, 9, 12, 15, 18

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ANSWERS — WHO DOES WHAT? GOVERNMENT POWER MATCH

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1. Parliament → C: Debates and passes legislation.
2. Executive → B: Administers government.
3. Courts → A: Decides legal disputes and interprets law.
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Situations 1–6: Parliament, Executive, Courts, Parliament, Executive, Courts. Australia's separation of powers is not complete: ministers are also members of Parliament. Sort the action described, not every role a person may hold.

ANSWERS — PARLIAMENT, GOVERNMENT OR COURT?

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