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Practicing the Vocabulary

Matching Choose a term from the list above that best matches each description.

1. A governmental system in which the powers of government are divided on a geographic basis
2. The group that makes the formal selection of the nation's President
3. The idea that government must conduct itself in accordance with the principles of the Constitution
4. The power of courts to determine the constitutionality of a law or other governmental action
5. A system by which one branch of government can be restrained by one or both of the other branches

Fill in the Blank Choose a term from the list above that best completes each sentence below.

6. Under the principle of _____, the Federal Government has three equal branches.
7. The Constitution is divided into seven major sections, called _____.
8. The first ten amendments to the United States Constitution are known as the _____.
9. _____ results in changes to the written words of the Constitution.
10. The principle of _____ states that government must be bound by a fundamental law.