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George Washington – America's First President



1 | George Washington was the first President of the United States.

1789 | He became president in 1789.

★★ | He served two terms as president.

 | Before becoming president, he led the Continental Army during the American Revolutionary War.

FEB 22 | His birthday is February 22.

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Abraham Lincoln – The 16th President



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Abraham Lincoln was the 16th President of the United States.

1861

He became president in 1861.

He was born on February 12, 1809.

Emancipation Proclamation

He issued the Emancipation Proclamation in 1863, declaring enslaved people in the rebelling states to be free.

He helped lead the country during the American Civil War.

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What Does the President Do?



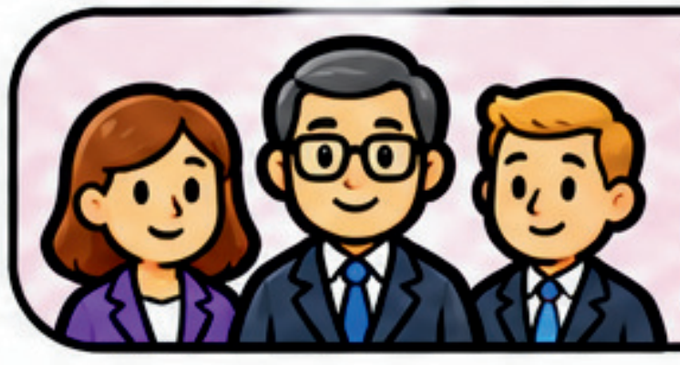
The President has important responsibilities.



The President leads the executive branch of the U.S. government.



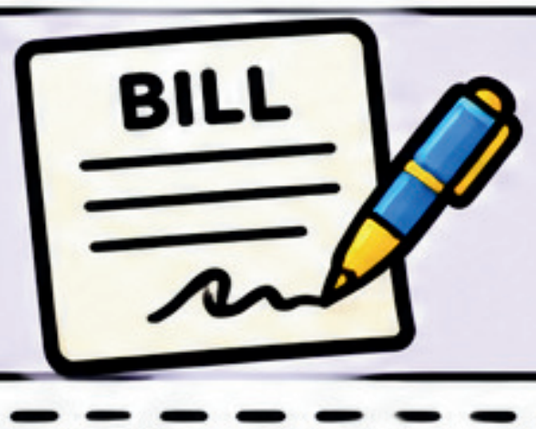
The President helps carry out federal laws.



The President works with advisers and government departments.



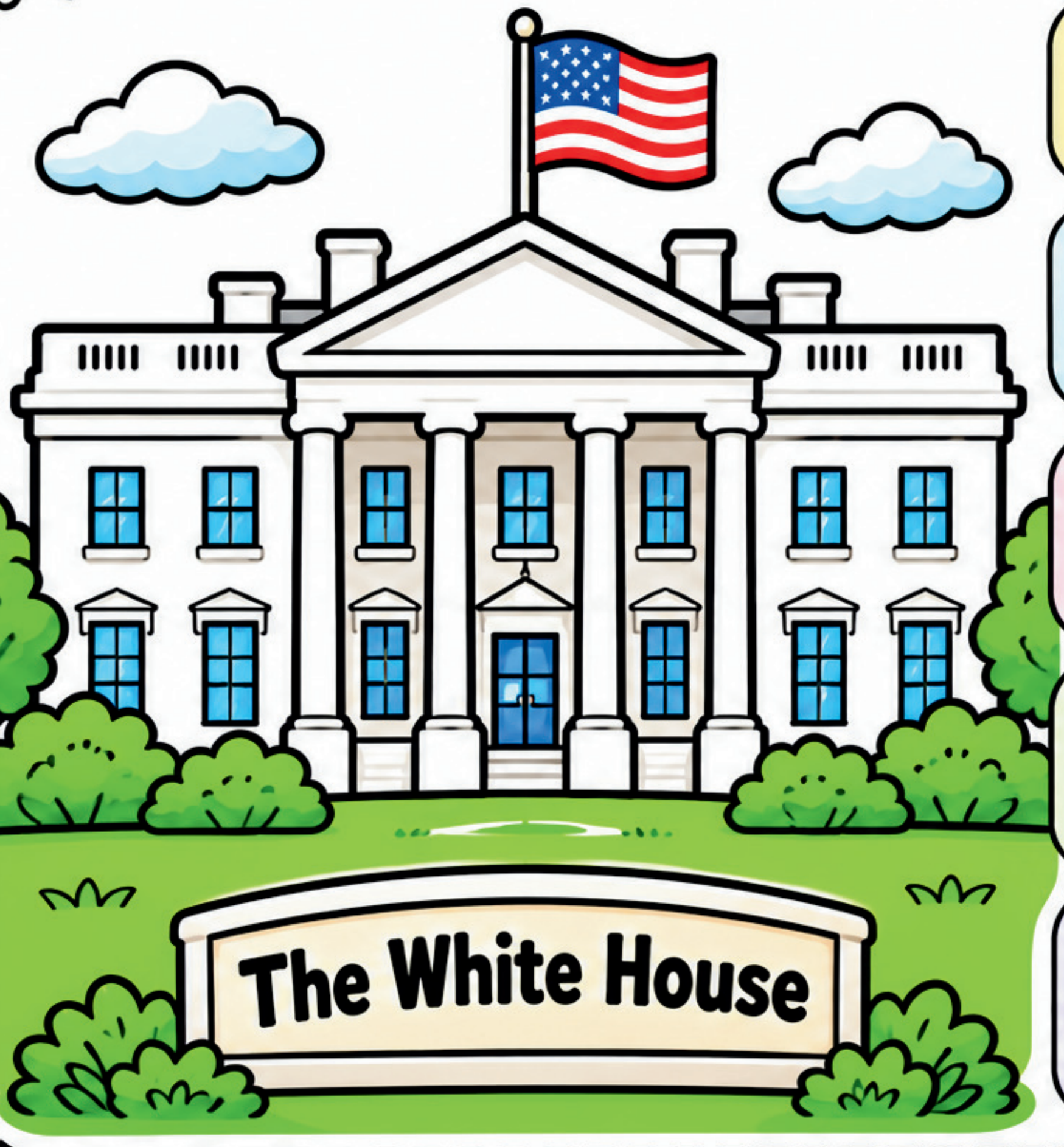
The President represents the United States in meetings with leaders from other countries.



The President can sign bills into law or veto them.

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The White House – Home and Workplace of the President





The White House is in Washington, D.C.



It is the official residence and workplace of the U.S. President.



John Adams was the first president to live in the White House.



The White House became the president's home in 1800.



The building has many rooms used for living, working, and official events.

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Presidential Inauguration Day





Inauguration Day marks the beginning of a new presidential term.



The president takes an oath of office.



The oath is described in the U.S. Constitution.



The president usually gives an inaugural address.



Inauguration Day for a new presidential term is normally January 20.

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How Does Someone Become President?

1. A person who wants to become president can announce their candidacy.



2. Political parties may choose their candidates through a nomination process.



3. Eligible citizens vote in the presidential election.



4. The Electoral College formally elects the president.



5. The president-elect takes the oath of office before beginning the term.



The U.S. presidential election takes place every four years.

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How Is a President Removed from Office?

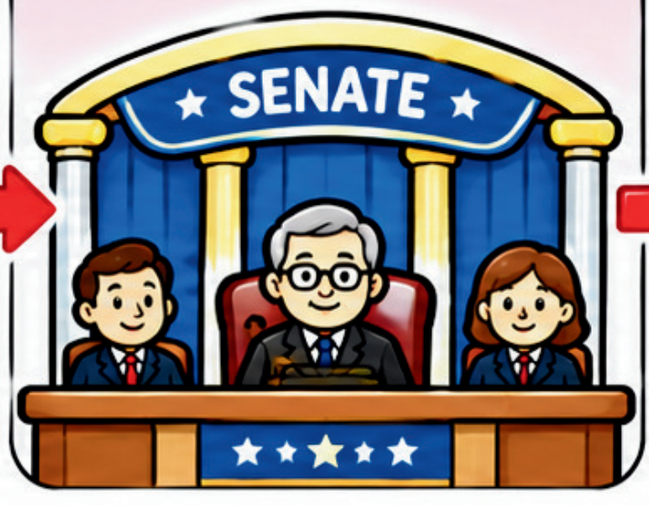
1. The process begins with impeachment in the House of Representa ives.



2. A majority of the House can impeach the President (bring formal charges).



3. The Senate then holds a trial to consider the charges.



4. If at least two-thirds (2/3) of the Senate votes to convict, the President is removed from office.



5. If convicted, the President is removed from office and the Vice President becomes President.



A President can be removed through impeachment and conviction.

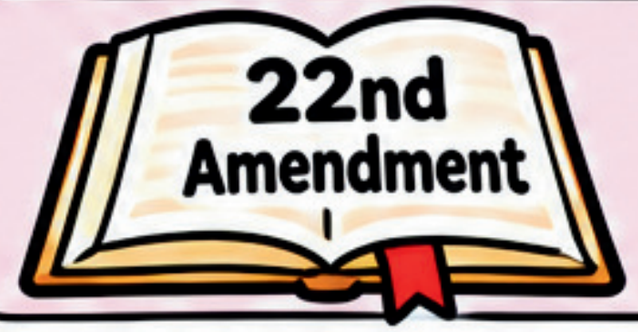
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How Long Can a President Serve?



4 Years | A U.S. presidential term lasts four years.

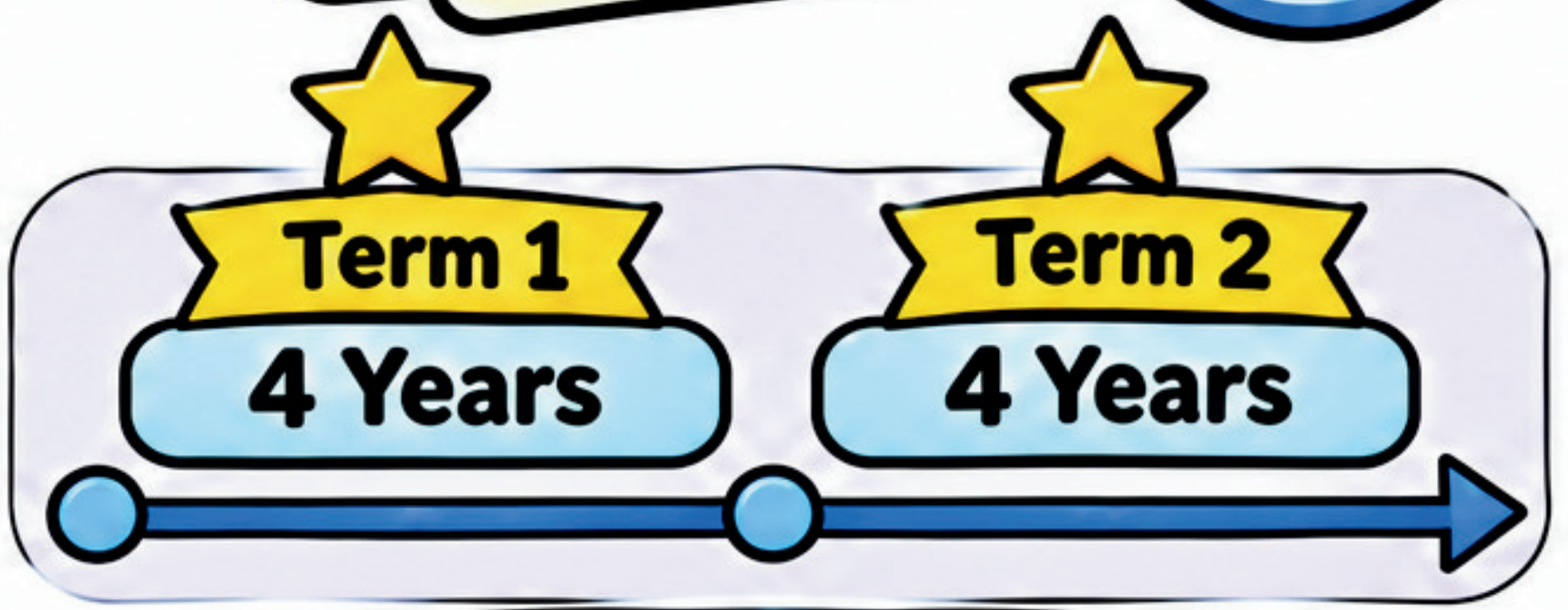
1 **2** | A president may be elected to two terms.



The 22nd Amendment established the two-election limit.

1951 | The 22nd Amendment was ratified in 1951.

Up to 10 Years | A president can serve a maximum of ten years in certain circumstances if they first take over another president's term and serve no more than two years of it.



Two elected terms usually add up to eight years.

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The President's Cabinet – A Team of Advisers





The Cabinet helps advise the President.



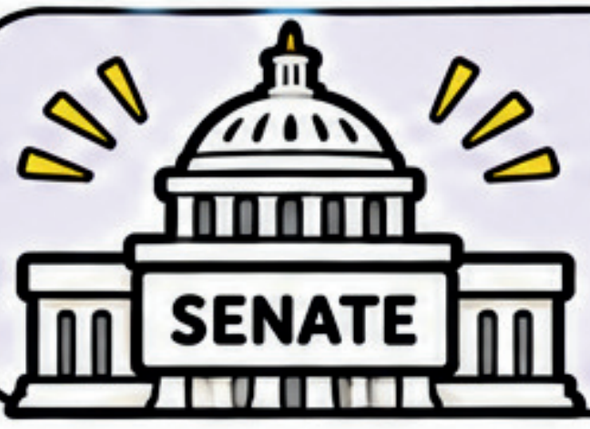
Cabinet members lead major executive departments.



The Secretary of State handles important foreign-affairs responsibilities.



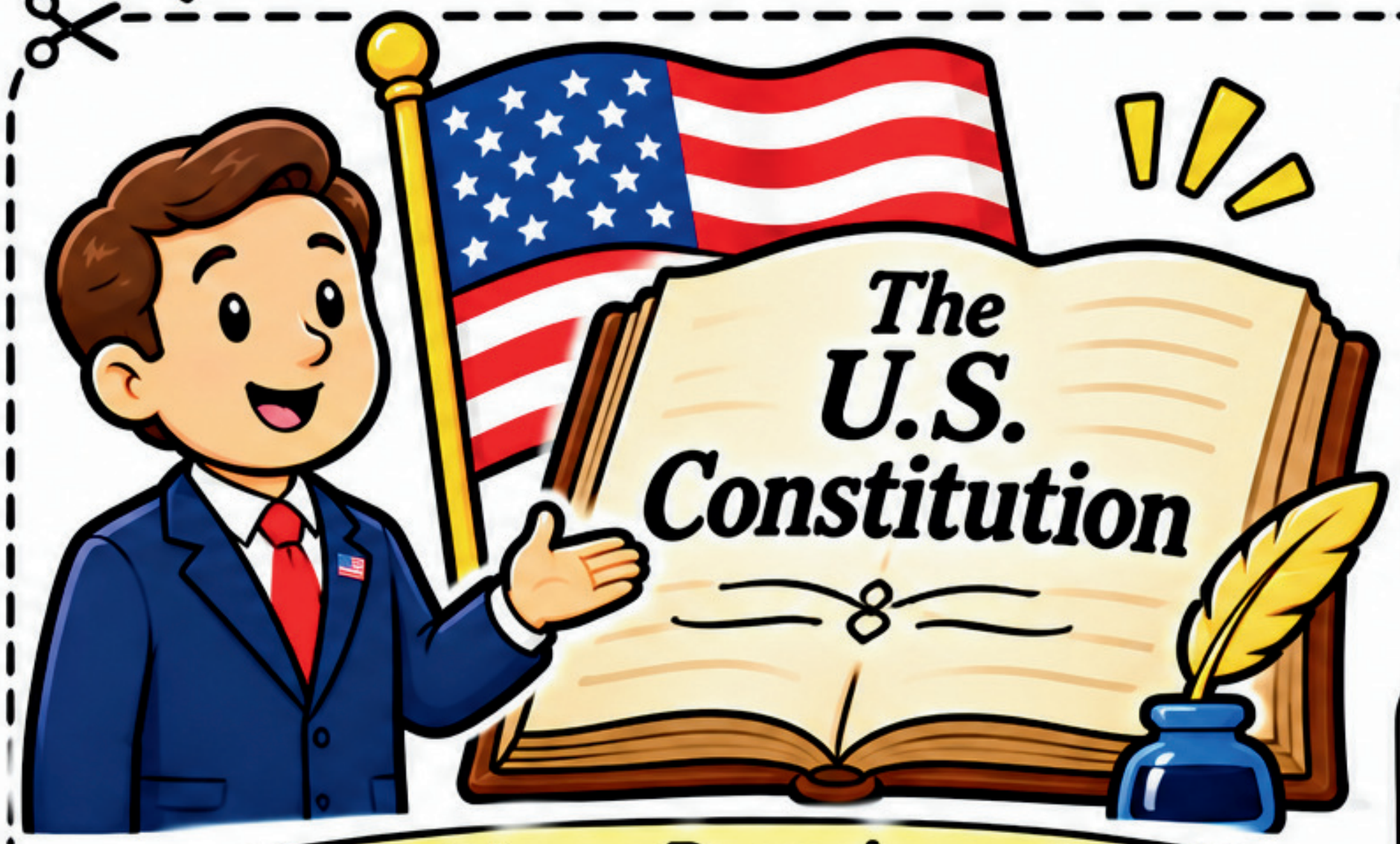
The Secretary of the Treasury leads the Department of the Treasury.



Cabinet members are nominated by the President and generally require Senate confirmation.

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The President and the U.S. Constitution



The U.S. Constitution is the highest law of the United States.



It describes the powers and responsibilities of the President.



The President must promise to preserve, protect, and defend the Constitution.

The Three Branches of the U.S. Government



Legislative Branch



Executive Branch



Judicial Branch



The Constitution divides federal government power among three branches.

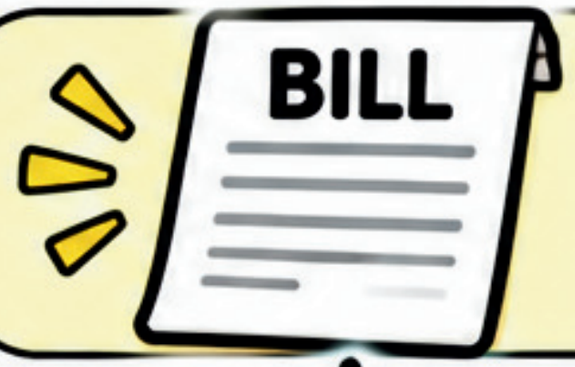


The President leads the executive branch.

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Presidential Veto - What Does It Mean?





A bill is a proposal for a new law or a change to an existing law.



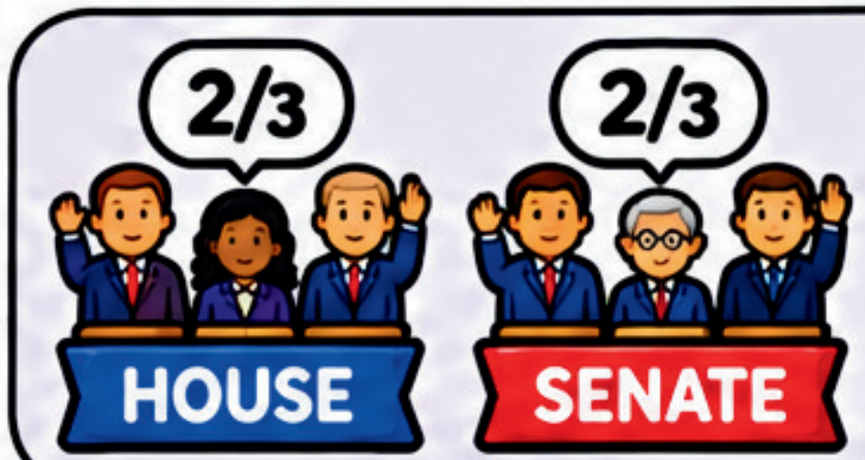
Congress passes bills and sends them to the President.



The President can sign a bill to make it law.



The President can veto a bill and send it back to Congress with objections.



Congress can override a presidential veto with a two-thirds vote in both the House of Representatives and the Senate.

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