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**Intro to Legislative Branch/Congress**

Use Chapter 10, Section 1 (pages 235-8) to answer the questions.

1. What is the job of Congress?
2. What exactly makes up the Congress?
3. Why exactly do we have a bicameral Congress?
   1. Historically –
   2. Practically –
   3. Theoretically –
4. Why do some people think that the Senate is “undemocratic?”
5. What is a term?
6. How long is a term of Congress?
7. What is a legislative session?
8. How many sessions are there in each term?
9. Can either house adjourn (officially end the session) without the permission of the other?
10. When can Congress meet in a special session?
11. Why do we not really have special sessions any more in the US government?
12. Special sessions happen more at the state level, where a Governor can call a special session for the state legislators. What might be a situation or scenario that might cause a Governor to call a special session of a state’s Congress?