

USVA Govt, Unit 4: Congress
Congress Basics: the House and Senate



VOCAB	NOTES / EXAMPLES (in your own words)
Bicameral:	Why have a bicameral Congress?
Term vs. Session:	114 th Congress: 1 Term: Jan 2015- Dec 2016 2 Sessions: Jan –Dec 2015; Jan-Dec 2016
Special Session:	Why might the President call a Special Session?
<u>Styles of Legislating:</u>	What are some pros & cons of each style?
Trustee:	Trustee:
Delegate:	Delegate:
Partisan:	Partisan:
Politico:	Politico:
<u>HOUSE of REPRESENTATIVES</u>	
Formal Qualifications:	Are there informal qualifications to be elected to the House?
Size: Term length:	Why do you think there are no term limits?
Apportionment:	

<p>Who is the Speaker of the House?</p> <p>Reapportionment:</p> <p>Redistricting:</p> <p>Gerrymandering:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Packing■ Cracking <p>THE SENATE Formal Qualifications:</p> <p>Size: Term length:</p> <p>How is the Senate a <u>Continuous Body</u>?</p>	<p>(Know your Rep and the Leadership roles)</p> <p>We'll talk more about the roles later in the unit.....</p> <p>How big is the average House District?</p> <p>How could we ensure fair districts?</p> <p>Why don't we do this?</p> <p>Should we?</p> <p>Why do you think the qualifications are higher for the Senate than for the House?</p> <p>Why is the Senate a continuous body?</p> <p><i>(We'll have a separate page of House/Senate differences)</i></p>
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