

Congress: The Legislative Branch Guided Reading Activity

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Section 5

READING THE SECTION

Read the descriptions below. In the space provided, write the letter of the term that matches each description.

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| _____ 1. Like a bill, this resolution has the force of law if passed by both houses of Congress and signed by the president. | a. rider |
| _____ 2. When each member of the House is required to publicly state his or her vote, it is called this. | b. quorum |
| _____ 3. To force a bill out of committee in the House, a majority of members may sign one of these. | c. discharge petition |
| _____ 4. This kind of provision barely resembles the bill it is attached to. | d. joint resolution |
| _____ 5. When both houses of Congress address matters that affect both chambers or express an opinion, they use one of these resolutions, which does not have the force of law | e. concurrent resolution |
| _____ 6. This term refers to the number of members who must be present to legally conduct business. | f. roll-call vote |

POST-READING QUICK CHECK

In your own words, write the definition of each term.

7. conference committee: _____

8. pocket veto: _____
