

The U.S. Constitution Created The Three Branches of Government



Who?

Legislative Branch

Executive Branch

Judicial Branch



Congress

President

Supreme Court

House of Representatives

Senate

Vice President

Cabinet

Justices

Powers?

Makes the laws

Enforces the laws

Decides meaning of laws

Approves appointments of the President

Appoints federal judges and Cabinet officers

Declares laws unconstitutional

Overrides a veto with 2/3 vote

Vetoes acts of Congress

Declares Executive acts unconstitutional

Impeaches a President

Commands the Armed Forces

Comparison/Contrast Words	
Words/Phrases to indicate "same"	Words/Phrases to indicate "different"
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Sample Sentences

from Introductory Venn Diagram comparing Teacher and Principal

Alike:

- **Both** my teacher and my principal help students.
- My teacher helps students, **and so** does my principal.

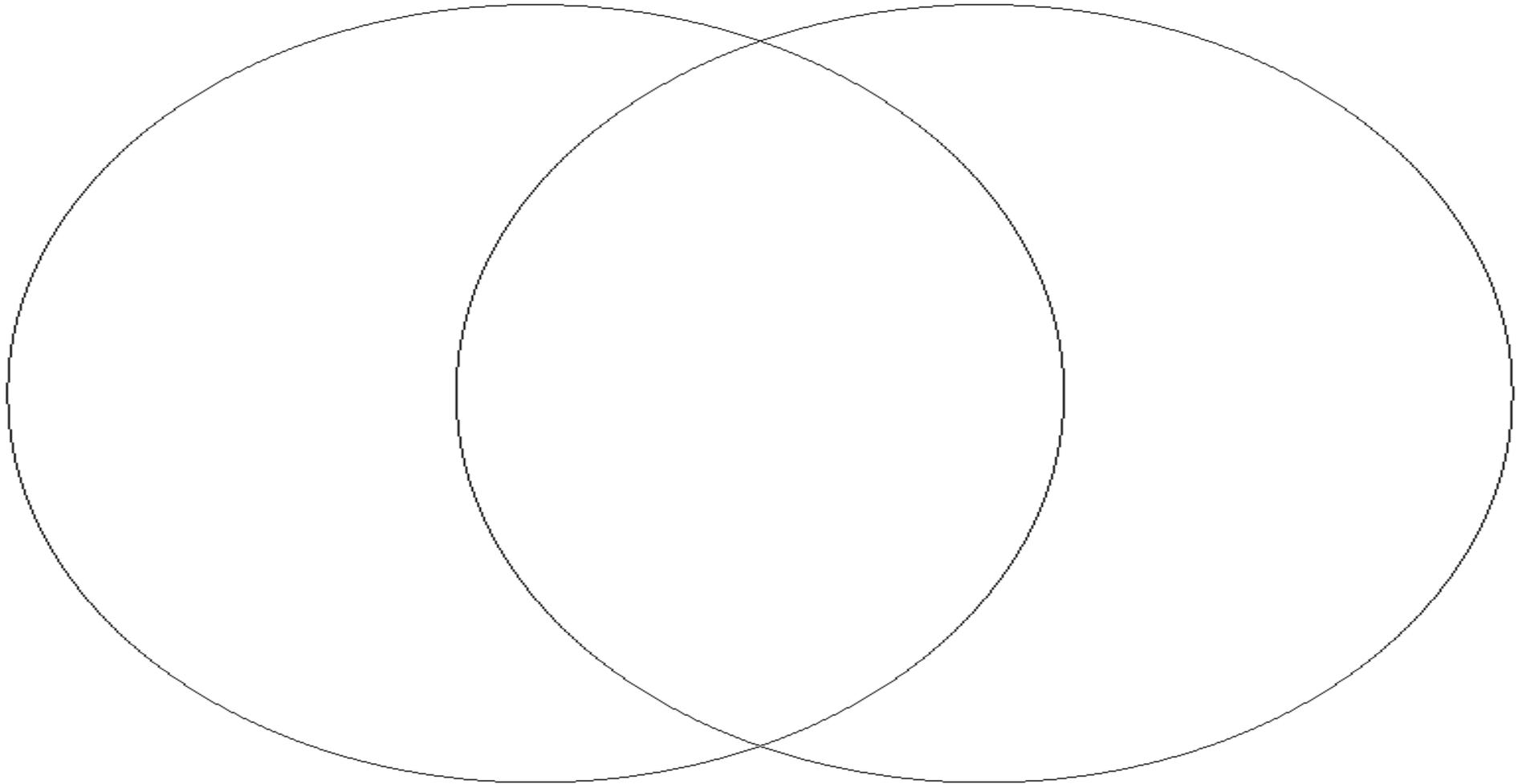
Different:

- My principal works in the summer, **but** my teacher takes a vacation.
- My principal works in the summer; **however**, my teacher takes a vacation.

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Complete the Venn diagram showing how two branches of the government are alike and different. Use your graphic organizer for ideas.



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Comparison/Contrast Sentences



Use the ideas from your Venn diagram to write comparison/contrast sentences about two branches of government.

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both	and so
Both branches work in Washington, D.C.	The Legislative branch works in Washington, D.C., and so does the Executive Branch.

Different	
but	however
The President appoints Cabinet officers, but Congress approves the appointments.	The President appoints Cabinet officers; however , Congress approves the appointments.