

THE PRESIDENCY OF THE UNITED STATES

WANTED: President of the United States

Head of the Executive Branch of government

Requirements:

- 35 years or older
- natural born citizen
- at least 14 years as a resident in the U.S.

Job Description:

- **4 year term:** *(You might be reelected for another 4 years.)*
- **Head of State:** *You must greet guests when they come to the White House. You will also travel a lot, meeting other important world leaders.*
- **Treaties:** *Sometimes you will have to work out treaties and other agreements. They might be about trade, or about the money that you give to other countries.*
- **Commander in Chief:** *You are the Commander of the armed forces. You can declare war, and you can make peace and protect the country.*
- **Work with Congress:** *When Congress passes a bill, you will get to decide whether to sign it. The Secretary of State, Secretary of Defense, and other members of the department are some of the people who will help you. You will also decide whether to approve them or not. Once the congress approves a bill, they will send it to you. You can do three main things:
 - Sign the bill and make it law
 - Send the bill back to Congress for changes
 - Veto it*
- **Give Speeches:** *When each session of Congress starts, you will give the "State of the Union" speech.*
- **Choose Ambassadors:** *These people will be sent to other countries to represent the United States.*
- **Nominating people to be Supreme Court Justices**

Excellent Benefits:

- Good salary
- Air Force One, your jet
- Camp David, a place to get away from it all
- White House as your home and office
- Traditions, like Easter Egg Rolling

Penalty for Breaking the Law While in Office:

- **IMPEACHMENT!**



Try This!

Cross out the items that are *not* the job of the President.

commander of armed forces
Senators

signing paychecks for

flying Air Force One

giving speeches

meeting world leaders

impeaching Senators

picking Ambassadors

working out treaties

T / F: The President can serve for life if he or she chooses.

Circle the branch of government that the President leads.

Executive Branch

Judicial Branch

“Gridlock” is
not able to work
a] the First Lady
b] his family
c] Congress
d] Supreme Court Justices

_____ are



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