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1. There are.... Senators in the USA

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2. The rules in the House of Representatives and the Senate are...

A) different

B) similar

C) difficult

3. Members of the House of Commons are elected by...

A) the voters of 659 constituencies

B) the members of the House of Lords

C) the King

4. Before all bills become law they require...

A) the approval of the people

B) the President's signature

C) a presidential veto

5. The Prime Minister is usually the leader of...

A) the political party with the minority in the House of Commons

B) the House of Commons

C) the political party with the majority in the House of Commons

6. There are ... deputies in the State Duma.

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7. The British Parliament consists of two Chambers

A) The Prime Minister and the Shadow Cabinet

B) The Senate and the House of Representatives

C) The House of Lords and the House of Commons

D) The House of Lords and the House of Representatives

8. The lower chamber in Russian Parliament is

A) The Federal Assembly

B) The State Duma

C) The Senate

D) The Federal Council

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9. The primary purpose of two chambers of the Congress is...

A) to protect human rights

B) to enforce laws

C) to make laws

10. The House of Commons has ... MPs

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11. Match words and phrases in English with their meaning in Russian:

[1] _____ House of Commons	A) Палата Представителей
[2] _____ the Council of Federation	B) Лорд Канцлер
[3] _____ to appoint a minister	C) законодательная власть
[4] _____ to ratify international treaties	D) ратифицировать международные договоры
[5] _____ Lord Chancellor	E) глава правительства
[6] _____ to execute federal law	F) назначить министра
[7] _____ House of Representatives	G) члены Парламента
[8] _____ legislative power	H) судебная ветвь власти
[9] _____ to veto a bill	I) заключить договор
[10] _____ head of government	J) наложить вето на законопроект
[11] _____ Members of Parliament	K) Палата Общин
[12] _____ to be elected by popular vote	L) быть избранным всенародным голосованием
[13] _____ to make a treaty	M) Совет Федерации
[14] _____ judicial branch of power	N) исполнять федеральный закон

12. Combine the two parts:

[1] _____ The Senate	A) can't refuse to sign a bill.
[2] _____ The House of Lords	B) can reject the bill only twice.
[3] _____ The British Monarch	C) makes a decision on impeachment
[4] _____ The House of Representatives	D) may veto the bill.
[5] _____ the Russian president	E) initiates the impeachment procedure

13. What kind of state is Russia?

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14. What is the Russian President's role in the political system ?

A) he checks and balances the three branches

B) he's the head of the judicial branch

C) he initiates legislation

D) he presides over the government

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15. When was the Russian Federation set up?

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16. Fill in the blanks using the words in the table below:

1. The United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland is [1]_____.
The legislative power in the country is exercised by [2]_____It consists of two chambers: the House of [3]_____ and the House of [4]_____.
The executive power is exercised by [5]_____ and the [6]_____. The two leading parties in Great Britain are the [7]_____ Party (the Tories) and the [8]_____ Party.
2. The USA is a [9]_____. The legislative branch of the US Government, or the [10]_____, represents all of the American states. It consists of two parts: the House of [11]_____ and the [12]_____. The President of the United States is a member of the [13]_____ branch. The [14]_____ of the USA is the president of the Senate.
3. The Russian Federation is set up by the [15]_____ of 1993. The federal government consists of three branches: [17]_____, executive and [18]_____. The legislative power is vested in the [19]_____. It consists of two chambers. The Upper Chamber is the [20]_____; the Lower Chamber is the [21]_____. Each chamber is headed by the [22]_____.

A) Speaker	L) Senate
B) Cabinet	M) the Parliament
C) legislative	N) Labour
D) Council of Federation	O) executive
E) Vice-President	P) Conservative
F) presidential republic	Q) Federal Assembly
G) Lords	R) State Duma
H) constitutional monarchy	S) Representatives
I) Congress	T) Constitution
J) Commons	U) judicial
K) Prime Minister	

17. Translate the sentences into English in writing:

1. Законодательная власть США, или конгресс, состоит из палаты представителей и сената.
2. Президент подписывает законопроект и может наложить на него вето.
3. Вице-президент является президентом сената.
4. Термин «конституционная монархия» означает, что Великобритания управляется парламентом, а главой государства является король.
5. Члены палаты общин, реального органа управления страной, избираются народом.
6. Законодательная власть осуществляется Федеральным собранием, избираемым всенародным голосованием на 4 года.
7. Законопроект представляется на рассмотрение в одной из палат, потом одобряется обеими палатами и подписывается президентом.

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