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Roles and Powers of the President

Guided reading

Directions: Complete the worksheet as you read.

1. The American presidency, visible on a world scale, is an iconic and _____ institution that has become much more _____ over time.
2. The Framers _____ a one person executive office because skeptics saw this office as a potential “fetus of monarchy.”

3. Complete the chart below.

President requirements	
Age	
Citizenship	
Residency	

4. Complete the chart below. (use the text or the internet.)

Powers of the President	
Formal	Informal

5. Where does the president's Formal powers come from?

6. Explain this quote about the president in general: “He has spent weeks wooing, prodding, cajoling and personally calling Republican lawmakers to pass sweeping tax legislation in time for Christmas.”

7. When does the power of Veto become “important” explain.

8. Under what circumstances (unified / divided) government would a president use a pocket veto, explain.
