

Judicial Bingo

Answer as many questions on the sheet as you can individually. At your table, discuss with others the topics which appear in each box. See if you can help each other complete the entire sheet. Each box contains a substantive question or inquiry. Make sure to write down the answer in each box. Then move to the next box and continue until all boxes can be checked off.

	B	I	N	G	O
1	Which article in the U.S. Constitution addresses the judicial branch?.	What stops one branch of government from becoming too powerful?	Who is the Chief Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court?		How many justices serve on the U.S. Supreme Court?
2		What is the highest court in your state?	How long do U.S. Supreme Court justices serve in their positions?	What are the three branches of government?	Who was the first woman to serve on the U.S. Supreme Court?
3	How are your state Supreme Court justices selected?	Which article in your state Constitution addresses the judicial branch?		What year was the U.S. Constitution written?	What are the first three words in the preamble of the U.S. Constitution?
4	We have two parallel court systems. What are they?	Name two justices on the United States Supreme Court.	What is the Supreme law of the land?	How many judges hear each case in a trial court?	What is the difference between a constitution and a statute?
5	Name a landmark U.S. Supreme Court case.		How do judges make decisions in cases?	How long can state court judges serve on the bench in your state?	How many amendments have been made to the US Constitution?



Judicial Bingo Answer Key

1B: Article III

1I: System of Checks and Balances. Separation of powers between the branches of government.

1N: John G. Roberts, Jr.

1O: there are 8 should be 9

2I: Supreme Court

2N: Life term

2G: Executive, Judicial, Legislative

2O: Sandra Day O'Connor

3B: (Answer varies by state) See IVP Interactive State Map

3I: (Answer varies by state)

3G: 1787

3O: "We the People"

4B: Federal and State courts

4I: Can choose from:

John G. Roberts, Jr., Chief Justice of the United States,

Anthony M. Kennedy, Associate Justice,

Clarence Thomas, Associate Justice,

Ruth Bader Ginsburg, Associate Justice

Stephen G. Breyer, Associate Justice

Samuel Anthony Alito, Jr., Associate Justice

Sonia Sotomayor, Associate Justice

Elena Kagan, Associate Justice

4N: The Constitution



4G: (Answer varies by state)

4O: State statutes cannot violate the state constitution, the federal constitution, or federal law. The term “statute” simply refers to a law enacted by a legislative body of a government, whether federal or state

5B: Brown v. Board of Education, Miranda v. Arizona, Citizens United, Rode v Wade, etc.

5N: Applying legal principles and precedents established under the common law.

5G: (Answer varies by state)

5O: 27