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Internet Activity—Do You Know Your Government?

Directions: Find the Oklahoma Government official web page, **www.ok.gov**. Oklahoma government is more that just offices and a capitol building. It is people. How well do you know the people who are in charge of our state government? Test your research skills by identifying the people who were elected or appointed to hold the offices listed below and identifying one major function or duty of each person.

Governor	Secretary of State
Name:	Name:
Duty:	
Lieutenant Governor	Insurance Commissioner
Name:	Name:
Duty:	
Superintendent of Public Instruction	Corporate Commission Chairman
Name:	Name:
Duty:	
Secretary of Agriculture	Chief Justice of the Supreme Court
Name:	Name:
Duty:	
Attorney General	Auditor and Inspector
Name:	Name:
Duty:	
Secretary of Commerce	Speaker of the House of Representatives
Name:	
Duty:	
Commissioner of Labor	President Pro Tempore of the Senate
Name:	•
Duty:	
State Treasurer	Chancellor of Higher Education
Name:	
Duty:	

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Oklahoma's Legislative Branch

Directions: Write an **S** in the blank beside any statement that refers to Oklahoma's Senate. Write an **HR** in the blank next to any statement that refers to the Oklahoma House of Representatives. If a statement refers to both houses of the legislature, write an **L** in the blank.

- _____ 1. Is a bicameral body
 - _____ 2. Members serve two-year terms
- _____ 3. Meets in annual sessions between February and May
 - _____ 4. Presided over by the lieutenant governor
 - _____ 5. Has 101 members
- _____ 6. May introduce a bill
 - _____ 7. Presided over by the speaker
- _____ 8. The larger body of the legislature
- 9. Members must be registered voters and residents of their districts
 - ___10. A conference committee works out differences between similar bills

Directions: Write your answers to the following questions in the space provided. Be sure to use complete sentences.

11. Who is your representative to the Oklahoma House of Representatives?

12. Who is your representative to the Oklahoma Senate?

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Oklahoma's County Officials

Directions: Use your textbook to find the duties of each of the following county officials. Then, use the Internet to find the persons who hold those offices in your county. Record that information on the chart that follows.

County Official	Duties	Person Holding the Office
County Clerk		
Treasurer		
Assessor		
Court Clerk		
Sheriff		
District Attorney		

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My County: What Makes It Special?

Directions: Fill in the information requested below about your home county. Some of the information can be obtained from the textbook, but for other information you will have to call or visit and interview local officials, Chamber of Commerce members, tourism directors, and media specialists and librarians. There will be many resources for this information, including maps, current magazines, and the Internet.

1.	The name of my county is	
2.	My county was created in	·
3.	My county was named after	
4.	The population of my county is	and that population has changed over the past
5.	The main cities in my county are	
6.	The land area included in my county is	square miles.
7.	The counties that border my county are	
8.	The major highways in my county are (state and federal)	
9.	The largest industries in my county are	
10.	The employment rate for my county is	, and it has changed over the
	last five years by	·
11.	The per capita personal income for my county is the last five years by	
12.	Geographically, my county is located in the	
13.	My county government is headed by	
14.	Ten services that my county offers to me as a citizen include	
15.	When I am eligible to vote in my county, my voting precinct will	be located at

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Oklahoma Local Government

Directions: Each local government in the state operates under the authority granted by the state constitution. Study your local newspaper, interview teachers and parents, call your regional or local libraries, and look in your school media center to locate the answers to the following questions about your local government.

County:
City of Town:
1. What form of government is used in my county?
2. What form of government is used in my city or town?
3. A. Who is the chief executive officer of my county's government?
B. When was he or she elected?
C. How long is the term of office?
4. A. Who is the chief executive officer in my city or town?
B. When was he or she elected?
C. How long is the term of office?
5. What is the population of my city or town?
6. What is the population of my county?
7. What is the governing board for my school?
8. List at least five services that are provided in my community and indicate which level of government provides each of them.
A
B
C
D
E
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