District Common Assessment on Thursday 2/16/16

3rd Social Studies C5 – Government of Michigan

1. Representative Government
   1. Republic
   2. People hold the power
   3. People elect leaders to make laws and decisions for them
2. Michigan Constitution
   1. Lists rules for state laws.
   2. A list of rights the people of Michigan have.
   3. Limited Government
      1. The government can only do what the people give it the power to do.
3. Role of State Government
   1. Provide Services
      1. Fixing and building roads
      2. State Police
      3. State Parks
4. 3 Branches of state government
   1. Executive
      1. Governor
   2. Judicial
      1. Courts and Judges
      2. Courts decide what laws mean (interprets)
      3. Decide when laws have been broken
   3. Legislative
      1. Senators and Representatives
         1. Make Laws
5. Local Government
   1. Makes laws for each city or county
      1. Tells you where you can build your fence.
6. Common Good
   1. People work together for the benefit of everyone
7. Citizen Responsibility
   1. Serving on a jury

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| **The Most Important Right To Me** | **Why is this right important?** | **One responsibility that goes with this right. (possibilities)** |
| Freedom of Religion | You want to have the freedom to choose how to worship or not. You don’t want people telling you how to worship. | Respecting others religions |
| Freedom of Speech | You want to be able to speak your mind and express your opinion if you like or don’t like something. | Allowing others to express their opinions  Not lying about other people |
| Right to Vote | You want to be able to vote for who runs the country not have someone like a king or a dictator rule the country. | Voting  Learning about people running for office |
| Right to a Fair Trial | If you get in trouble or accused of something you didn’t do you want to be able to have a trial to present your case and defend yourself. | Serve on a jury  Be a witness in a trial |

To get your state legislature to pass or defeat a bill, you may:

* Vote for representatives who support your position
* Run for public office
* Write letters to the editor of newspapers
* Petition the government

The United States has ­­­\_\_\_\_Representative Government\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

This means the people hold the power which means it’s a \_\_Republic\_\_\_.

The people \_\_elect\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ leaders to make laws and decisions for them.

\_\_The Michigan Contitution\_\_\_ lists rules for state laws and the rights the people of Michigan have.

The government can only do what the people give it the power to do is a \_\_\_\_\_\_Limited Government\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

* Role of State Government is to provide Services such as \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_fixing roads\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_state police\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_state parks\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* There are \_\_3\_ branches of state government.

The Executive Branch is led by the \_\_Govenor\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

The Judicial Branch are the \_\_\_\_\_\_courts and judges\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

The \_\_\_\_Trial courts\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ are courts that decide what laws mean (interprets) and decide when laws have been broken.

The Legislative Branch are the \_senators and representatives\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

The \_\_\_\_\_\_Legislative branch\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ make laws.

\_\_\_\_\_Local government\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ makes laws for each city or county and tells you where you can build your fence.

\_\_\_\_\_Common good is when\_\_\_\_\_ people work together for the benefit of everyone.

\_\_A Civic responsibility\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is serving on a jury.