

The Unit Organizer

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Why were the three branches of government created and what role does each have in our national, state and local governments?

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Executive Branch

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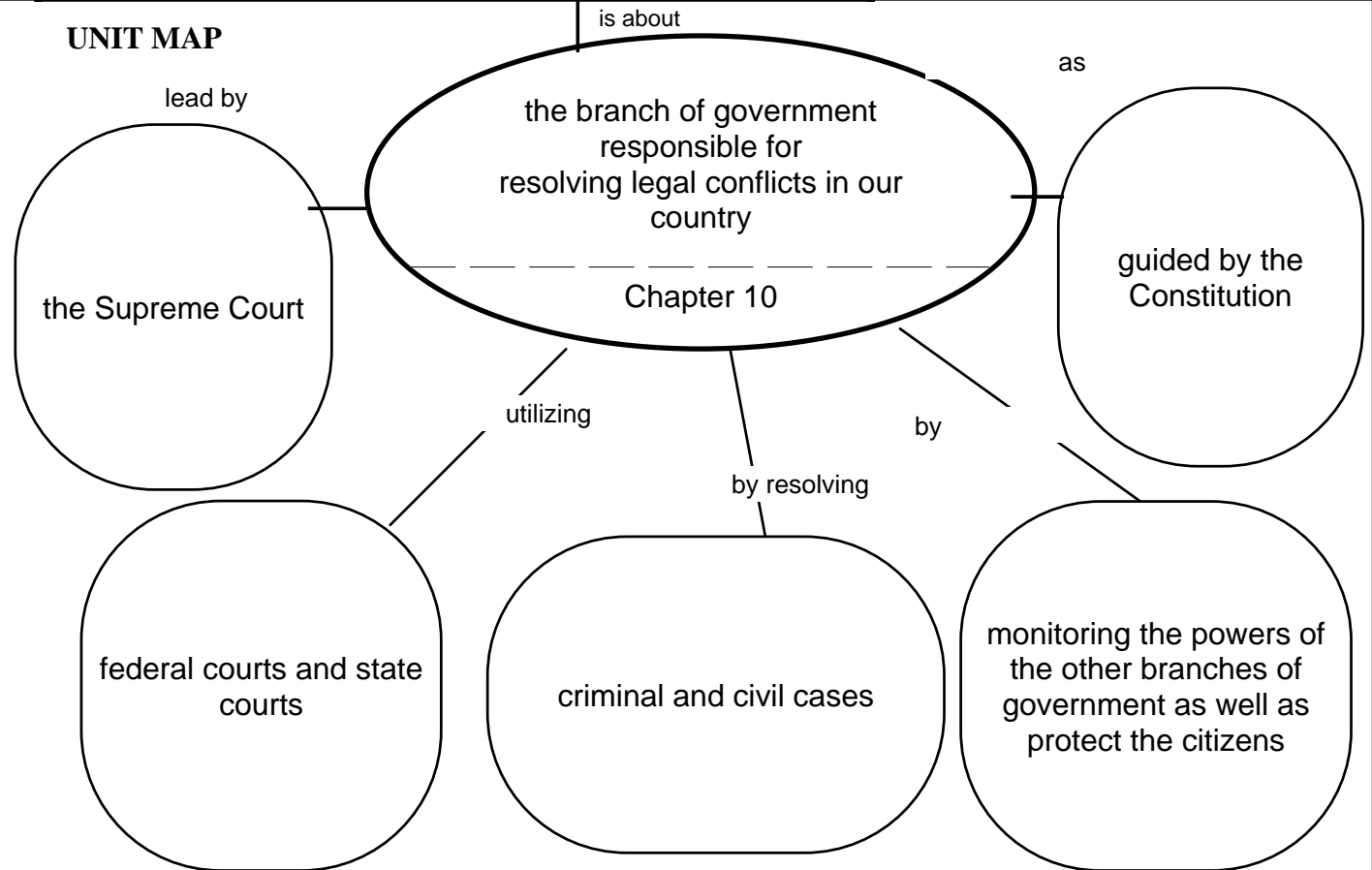
Judicial Branch

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State Government

UNIT SCHEDULE

UNIT MAP



UNIT SELF-TEST QUESTIONS

1. What is the significance of the American legal system?
2. Draw a chart that traces the path a case could take on its way from the state court to the Supreme Court.
3. What function does judicial review serve?
4. What kinds of cases would be heard by state justices?

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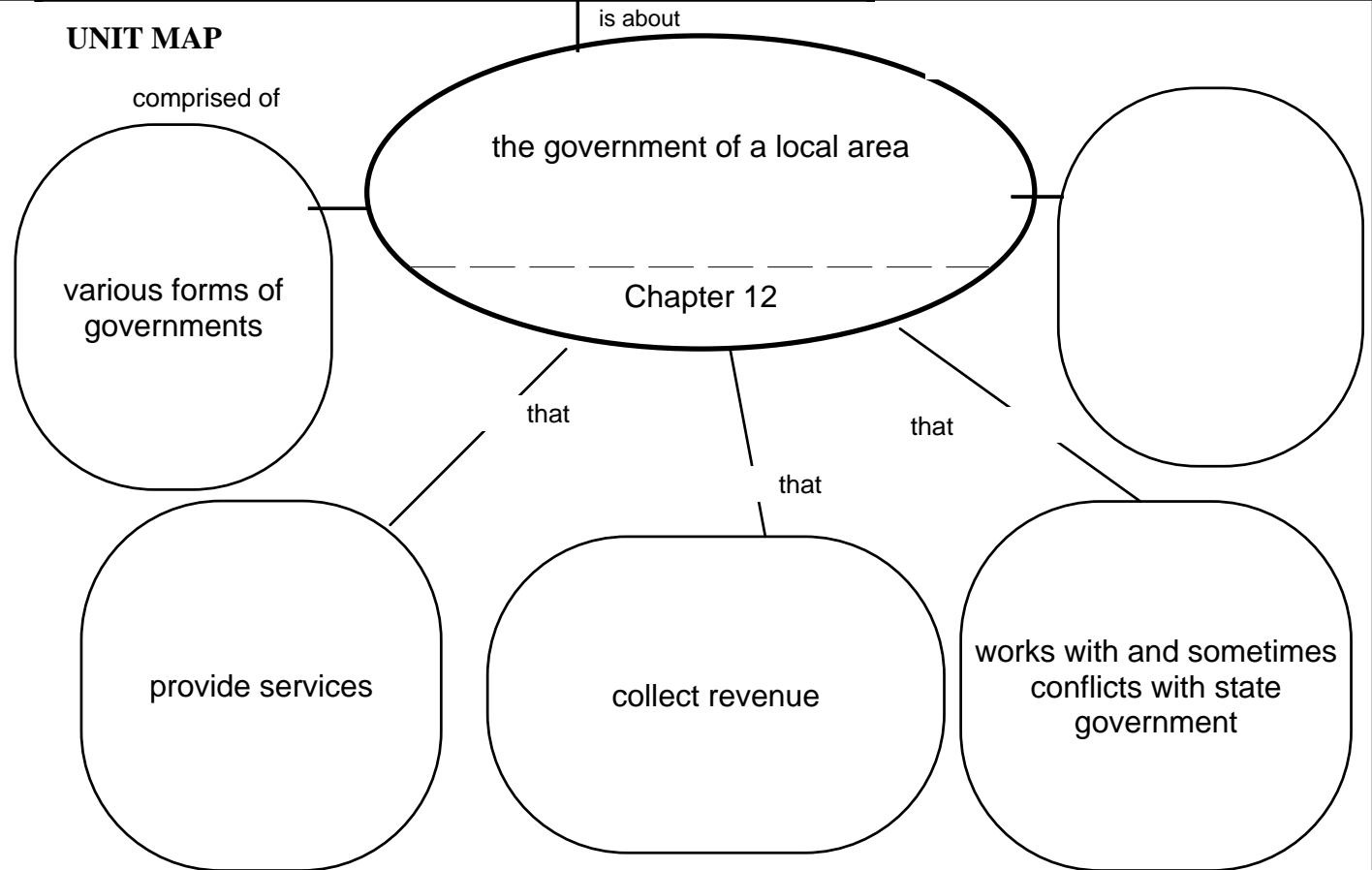
Local Governments

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What is an economy?

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**UNIT SELF-TEST
QUESTIONS**

1. Describe how local governments provide services and how these services affect you.
2. What are the different types of city governments? Explain the type of government that is used in your municipality.
3. How do local, state and federal governments work together? When do conflict occur? Site an example.

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Public Finance

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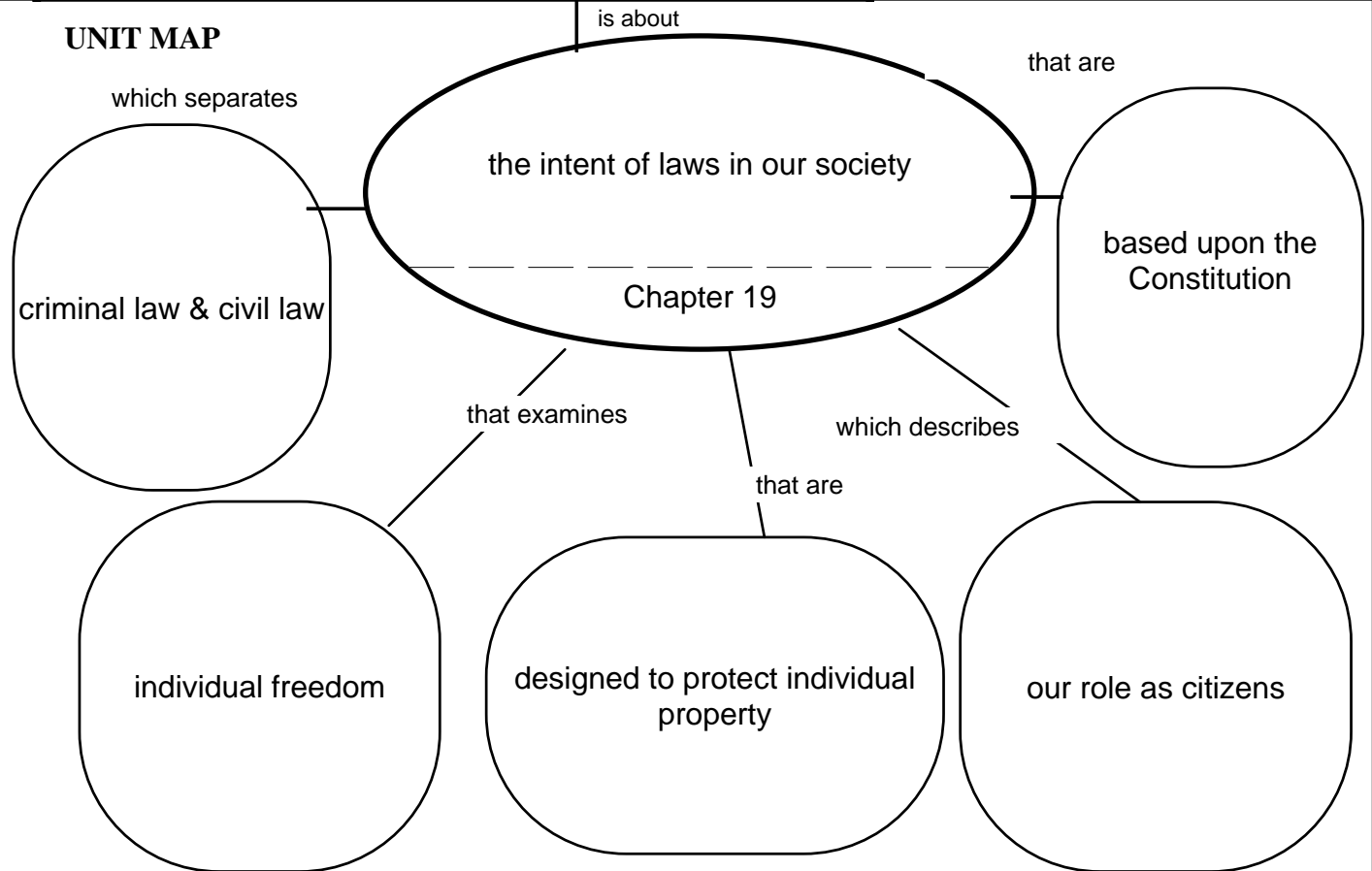
Laws in Our Society

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Criminal and Juvenile Justice

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UNIT SELF-TEST QUESTIONS

1. Explain why laws are important in our society?.
2. How are the principles of the American democracy reflected in the American Constitution?
3. Describe the differences between civil law and criminal law?

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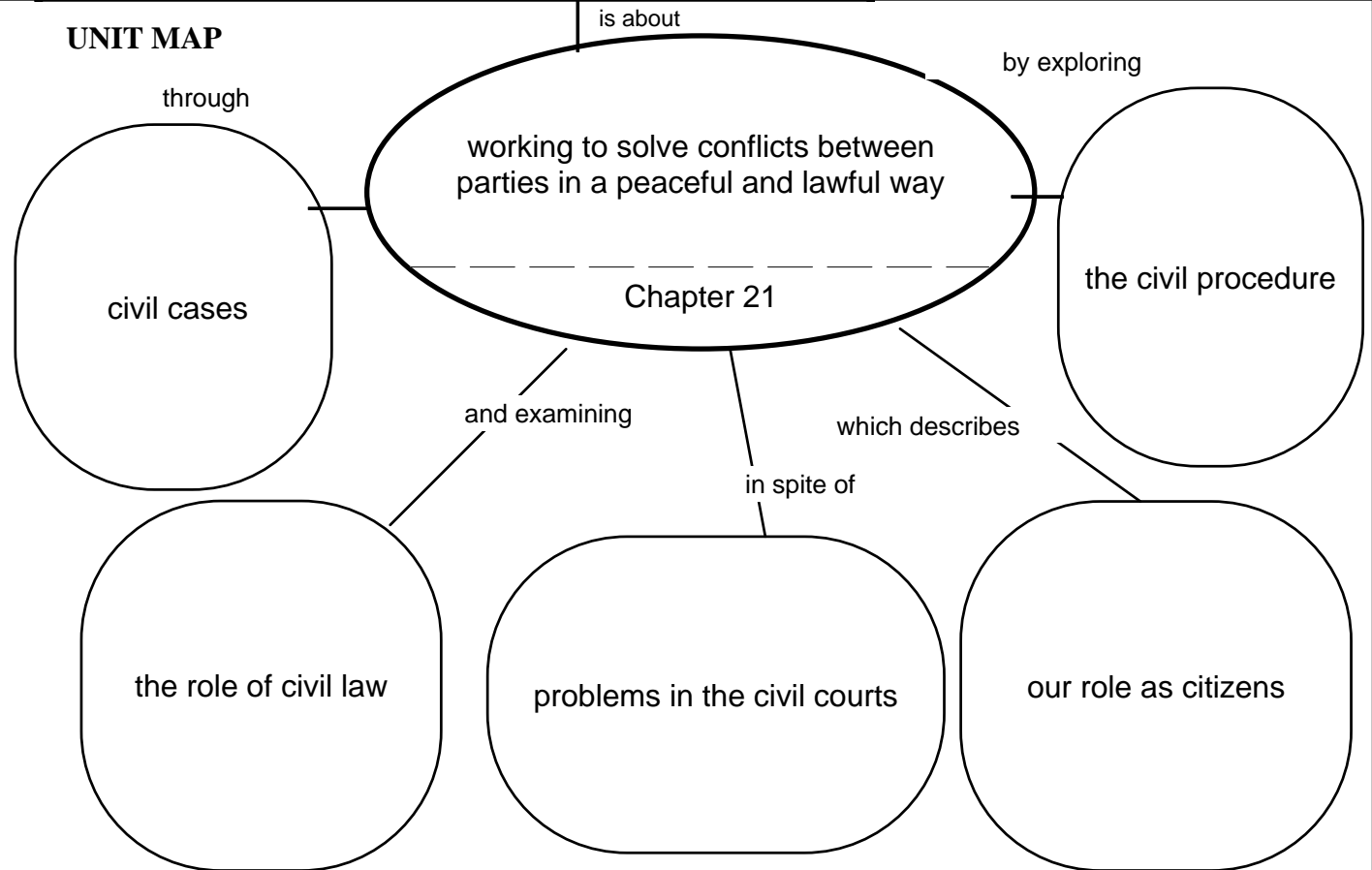
Civil Justice

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Political Parties in our Democracy

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UNIT SELF-TEST QUESTIONS

1. Identify and discuss some types of civil cases.
2. Analyze the problems in the civil justice system. What are some possible solutions?

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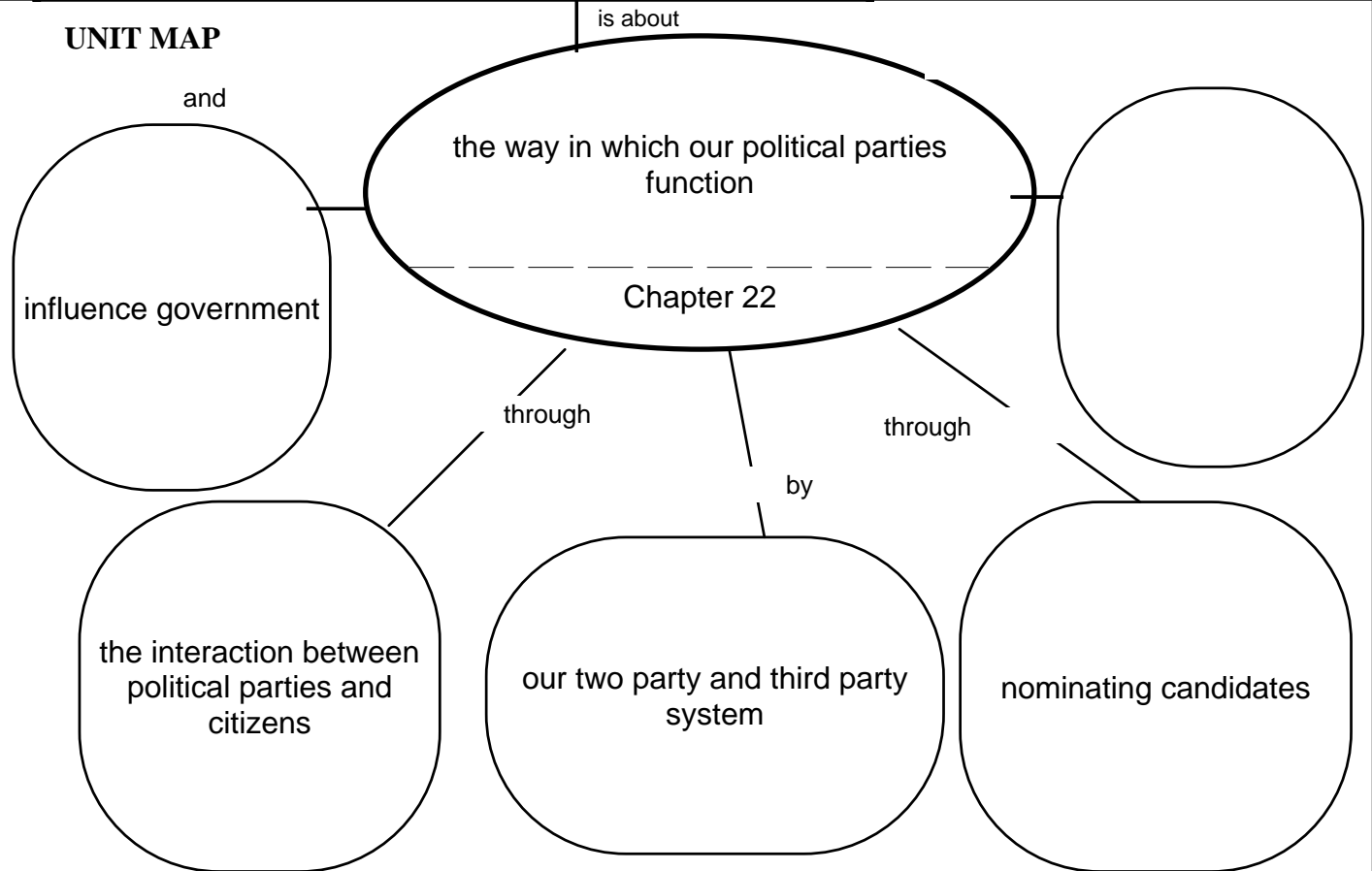
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Voting and Elections

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UNIT SELF-TEST QUESTIONS

1. Trace the history of political parties.
2. Explain the nomination process.
3. Choose a political party and tell why you would be a part of that party rather than the others.

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American Foreign Policy

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how voting gives citizens a voice in government

elections

voting rights and privileges

Chapter 23

while the voter

through

and the role of

considers propaganda

interest groups, polls and the media

campaigns

UNIT SELF-TEST QUESTIONS

1. What can be decided by a general election?
2. Why is voting important?
3. What role does interest groups, media and propaganda play in an election?
4. Do you believe that the electoral college is the best way too elect a president? Why or Why not ?

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