HOW A BILL BECOMES LAW *4-in-1 kit*

Hit the basics of the legislative process, plus give an insider's angle on how things *really* get done in Congress with this kit.

Multiple **activity options and accommodations** are included!

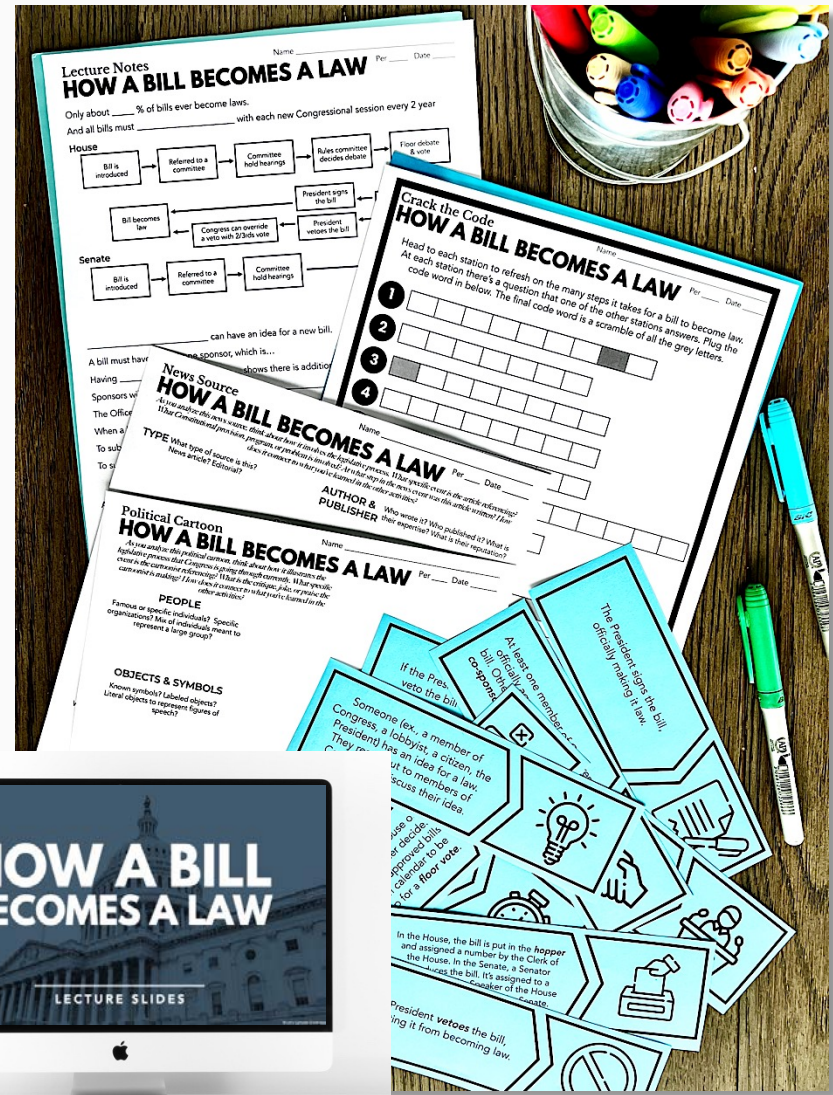## TOPICS COVERED

The steps for how a bill becomes a law

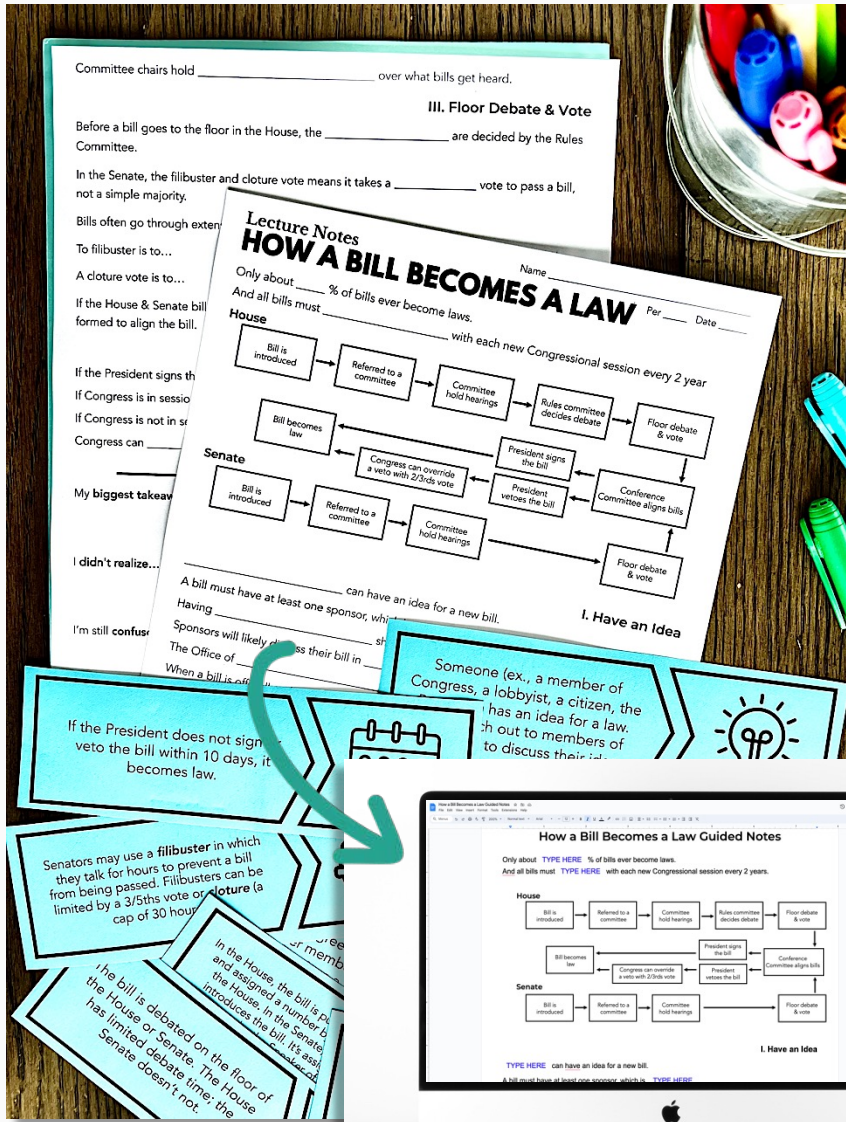Congressional Committees

Party influence on the legislative process

Floor debate, filibuster, & cloture vote

Presidential bill signing & vetoing

INCLUDES BOTH PRINT PDF & EDITABLE, PAPERLESS GOOGLE FILES

SUPPORT ALL YOUR *students*

Executive Function
✓ **Four distinct and varied activities** (whole-class instruction, small group stations, interactive game)
✓ **Easy-to-follow** worksheet graphic organizers

Struggling, ELL, or Low-Vision Readers
✓ **Worksheet icons and lecture photos** to signal and illustrate each step of the legislative process
✓ **Editable version** to further adjust reading level, translate languages or do text-to-speech

Options to Tailor to ALL Your Students
✓ **Lecture** -- whole-class or self-guided
✓ **Sorting Cards** – small-group, individual, paper or digital
✓ **Stations Game** – small-group or individual, whole-class review quiz game

I. HOW A BILL BECOMES A LAW *Lecture*
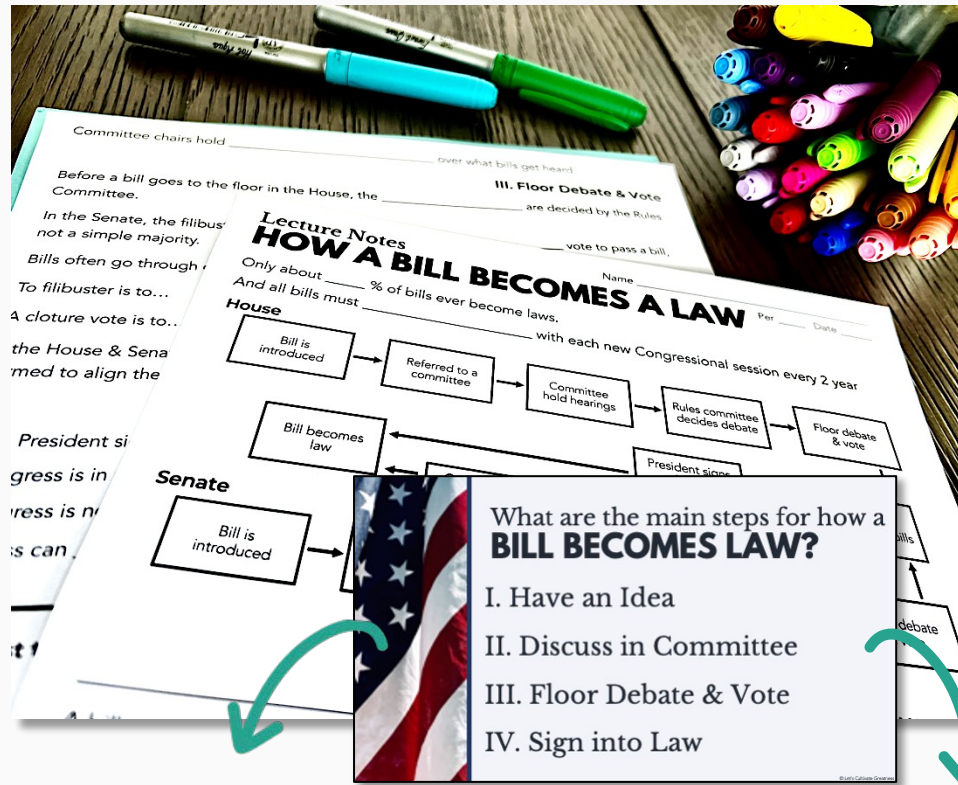
INCLUDES

✓ **28 Lecture slides** in Google Slides and PowerPoint)

✓ **Slide-by-slide teacher script** to teach topics like a pro

✓ **Animations to assist in** presenting

✓ **Accompanying guided notes** in both print PDF & Google Doc

WEAVE IN REAL-LIFE EXAMPLES EASILY & IMPACTFULLY

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II. 2 SORTING & MATCHING *activities*
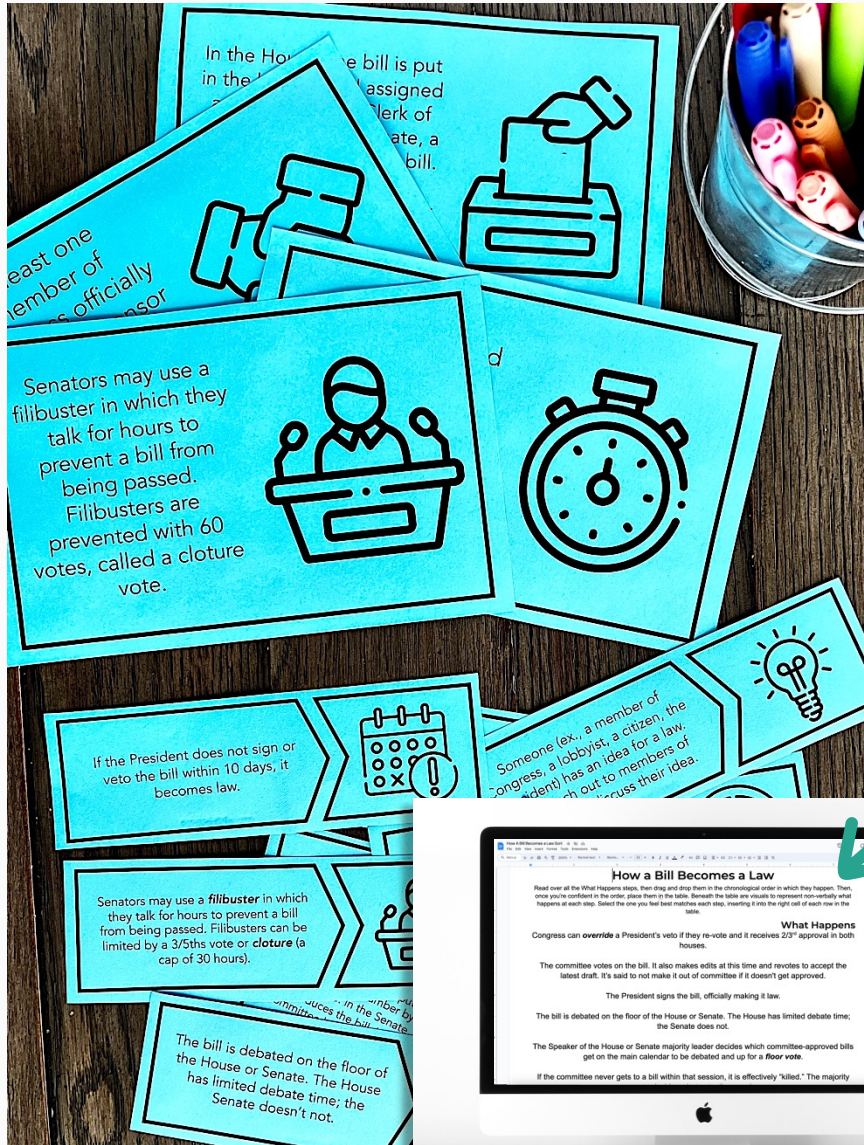
INCLUDES

✓ **21 steps** of the real-life legislative process

✓ **Small-group** matching and sorting in order slips with icons to reinforce learning

✓ **Whole-class or large-group** human timeline to sort steps in order

✓ **Pick** which option works best for your students!

## DIRECTIONS INCLUDED FOR EACH OPTION

III. CRACK THE CODE GAME *stations*

INCLUDES

- ✓ **11 stations** summarizing steps of the legislative process

- ✓ **Code questions** on each station answered on one of the other stations

- ✓ **Students return to each station** multiple times (so learning stick!)

- ✓ **Results in a final code to crack,** leading to an optional prize!

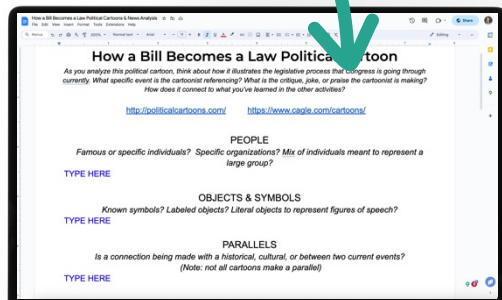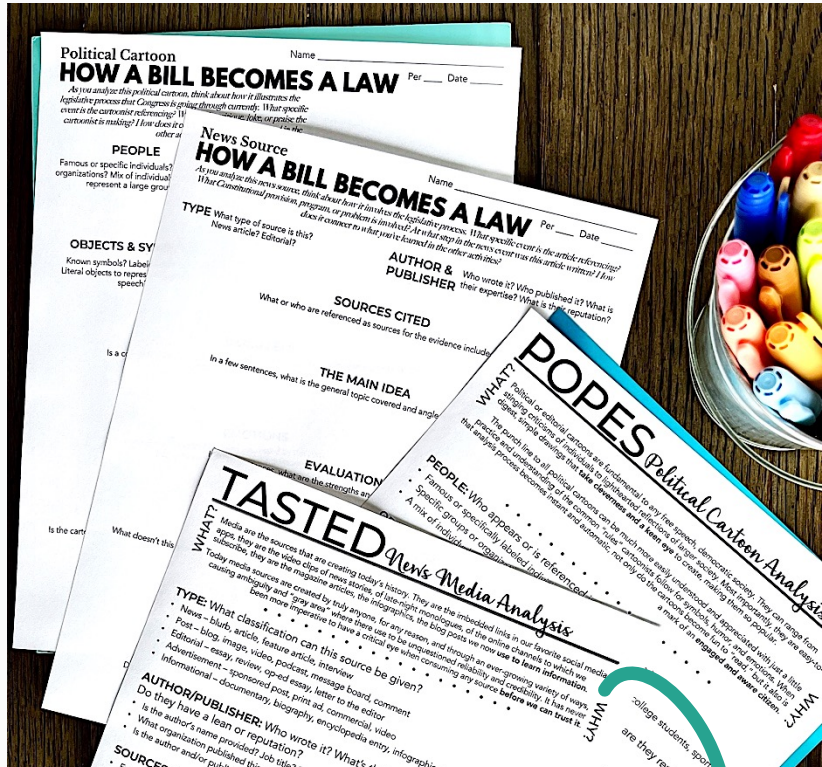## FUN WAY TO REINFORCE & CULMINATE LEARNING
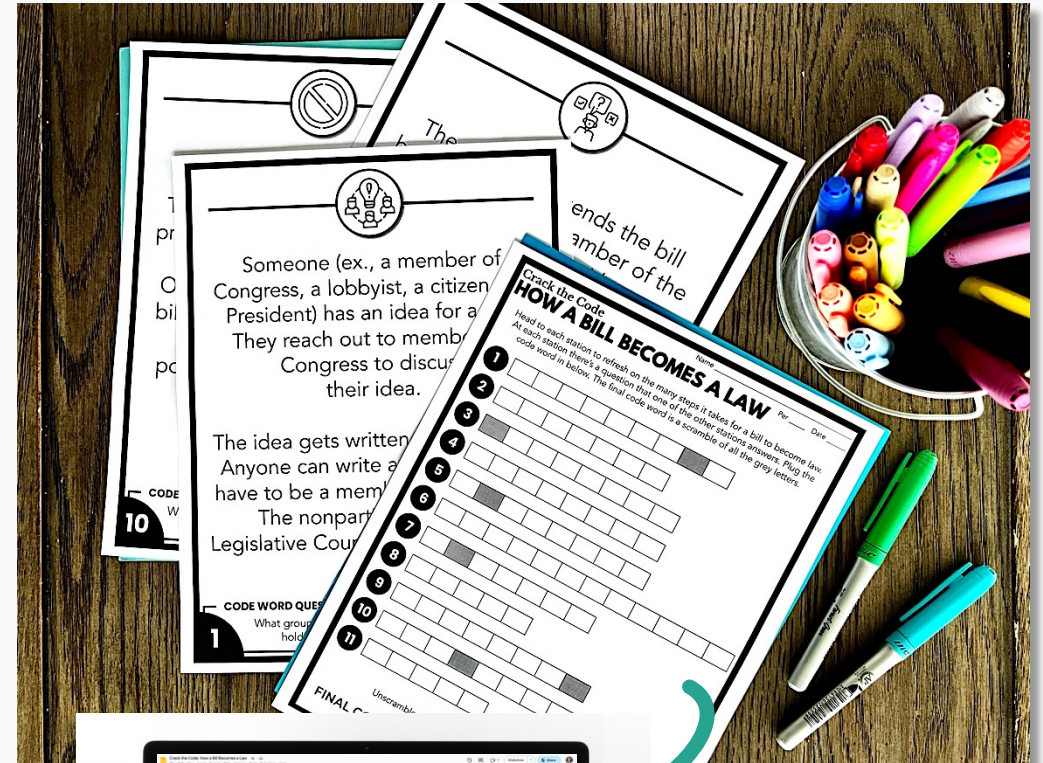
IV. POLITICAL CARTOON & NEWS *analysis*

INCLUDES

✓ **Graphic organizer** worksheets to analyze a current cartoon or article you find

✓ **How-to skill sheets** with step-by-step analysis supports

✓ **Links** to recommended cartoon databases and news organizations

BRING IN REAL-LIFE CURRENT EVENTS OF CONGRESS

FREQUENTLY ASKED *questions*

Will this work for middle school?
This is designed for and written at a **high school level**. If your students are advanced and you are willing to edit, it may work, but I can't guarantee anything. I use these materials with my mixed-ability on-level 12th grade Civics class.

Can I use this in a homeschooling setting?
Definitely! Detailed teacher notes and concise-yet-thorough **lecture slides** with detailed notes with each slide help **you** understand this topic and the activities before teaching it. And the **sorting cards**, **self-guided station passages,** and **detailed note forms** carry your student(s) through all aspects of this topic without sacrificing rigor.

Is this editable?
Yes! All student materials come with a digital Google file version that is editable for the exclusive purpose for you to customize it to meet your students needs and make accommodations.

Will this work for my <insert unique setting here> classroom?
The preview and product description are **extremely detailed**—be sure to take a close look. Also know that all student materials comes with an editable, digital version. If you still have questions, feel free to **leave a Q&A**!

What standards does this address?
Several! This kit supports standards from various states, including:

Analyze the structures, functions, and processes of the legislative branch -- Describe the procedure for enacting laws -- Analyze the role of Congress in terms of its relationship with judicial and executive branches