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Classroom Government

Directions: Read the story. Watch for examples of comparison and contrast in the text. Complete the comparison and contrast charts. Answer the questions about comparison and contrast.

Government is important because it makes sure that others do not take away the rights of the citizens. This is true for our national government, state government, local government, and classroom government. Our classroom government is not structured like these other governments, but does all the same things. Our classroom government has one branch, the teacher. The other governments have three branches, executive, legislative, and judicial. Even though the structure is different, the actions of the governments are the same. The teacher serves as the legislative branch of government, making the rules to protect the citizens of the class. The teacher serves as the executive branch of government, making sure the rules are followed and the rights of other citizens are not taken away. The teacher also serves as the judicial branch of government, listening to reasons the rules may have been broken and deciding on the punishment. The structure of government does not matter as long as the rights of the citizens are safe.

Comparison	
Classroom government/National, state, and local government	

Contrast	
Classroom government	National, state, and local government

How does the comparison and contrast of the governments help you better understand your teacher's job in your classroom? You may write your answer on the back.