

# CITIZENSHIP STUDY GUIDE 8: CONGRESS

*Ask a friend to read you these questions out loud. Practice the answers without looking at the paper.*

1. Name one branch or part of the government.
2. What are the two parts of the U.S. Congress?
3. How many U.S. Senators are there?
4. We elect a U.S. Senator for how many years?
5. Who is one of your state's U.S. Senators?
6. Who does a U.S. Senator represent?
7. The House of Representatives has how many voting members?
8. We elect a U.S. Representative for how many years?
9. Name your U.S. Representative.
10. Why do some states have more Representatives than other states?
11. What is the name of the Speaker of the House of Representatives now?

**Answers:** 1. Congress 2. The Senate and House 3. one hundred (100) 4. six (6) 5. (John) Kerry  
6. all people of the state 7. four hundred thirty-five (435) 8. two (2) 9. [Answers will vary].  
10. (because) some states have more people 11. (Nancy) Pelosi

## READ ALOUDS

*Practice reading these questions out loud. You DO NOT need to know the answers.*

1. Who elects Congress?
2. How many senators do we have?
3. Where does Congress meet?

## DICTATIONS

*Copy each sentence 10 times. Then ask a friend to test you by reading each sentence to you, while you write it.*

1. The people elect Congress.
2. We have 100 senators.
3. Congress meets in Washington, D.C.

## YOUR INTERVIEW

*Practice with a friend.*

1. Have you ever:
  - had problems with drinking too much alcohol?
  - had problems with gambling?
  - failed to pay child support?
  - helped someone to come to U.S. illegally?
  - been married to two people at the same time?
  - sold illegal drugs? (like cocaine, or marijuana) or carried them into the U.S.?
  - been deported?