

Excerpts from Article I, Section 8 of the U.S. Constitution

Directions: For each excerpt of Article I, Section 8, summarize the text in your own words.	
What it says:	What it means:
SECTION. 8. The Congress shall have Power To lay and collect Taxes, Duties, Imposts and Excises, to pay the Debts and provide for the common Defense and general Welfare of the United States; but all Duties, Imposts and Excises shall be uniform throughout the United States;	the power to set taxes, tariffs and other means of raising federal revenue, and the ability to spend money using federal funds
To borrow Money on the credit of the United States;	
To regulate Commerce with foreign Nations, and among the several States, and with the Indian Tribes;	
To establish an uniform Rule of Naturalization, and uniform Laws on the subject of Bankruptcies throughout the United States;	
To coin Money, regulate the Value thereof, and of foreign Coin, and fix the Standard of Weights and Measures;	
To establish Post Offices and post Roads;	

To constitute Tribunals inferior to the supreme Court;	
To declare War, grant Letters of Marque and Reprisal, and make Rules concerning Captures on Land and Water;	
To raise and support Armies, but no Appropriation of Money to that Use shall be for a longer Term than two Years;	
To provide and maintain a Navy; To make Rules for the Government and Regulation of the land and naval Forces;	
To make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers, and all other Powers vested by this Constitution in the Government of the United States, or in any Department or Officer thereof.	

Summary of Services:

How do the powers of this level of government translate into services for the country?