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**John Doe in a U.S. Court**

**Directions: Use the “John Doe in a U.S. Court” reading to answer the questions below.**

1. What is the 3rd branch of the US government & where was it created?
2. What are the two types of courts specifically mentioned in the U.S. Constitution?
3. What are the two main levels of “inferior courts” in the federal court system? (thought question, NOT specifically in the “John Doe” reading)
4. What types of cases can be heard in a federal court? (YES, LIST THEM)
5. Explain why a trial over a car accident usually wouldn’t be heard in a federal court? Under what circumstances would it be a federal case?
6. What does the most important part of Article III of the Constitution say? What does it allow the U.S. government to do?
7. Where do most federal cases begin, and end?
8. What are the 3 levels of the U.S. court system?
9. The Supreme Court is known as the last court of appeal; why does it have that nickname?
10. In addition to hearing appeals from the federal circuit courts, the Supreme Court can also hear appeals from the highest courts in each of the 50 states. What types of appeals do YOU THINK the Supreme Court will hear from state courts?