

# ABOUT OUR GOVERNMENT

Are you a good code breaker? We need one. In the following paragraph, certain words disappeared, and in their place were left numbers. We know that each of these numbers match up to a certain letter in the alphabet. We need you to convert these numbers to letters and bring back the missing words. Fill in the blank above the number with a letter.

We discovered that 12 = L, hope this helps. Good Luck!!

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and the \_\_\_\_\_ branches. The Legislature passes \_\_\_\_\_, which are carried  
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# SOLUTION TO COUNTING

How many Florida State Flags do you see? 7 

How many space shuttles do you see? 4 

How many Senate seals do you see? 6 

How many pictures in all do you see? 17

# SOLUTION TO ABOUT OUR GOVERNMENT

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