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State Courts Video #1

Question	List Specific Evidence from the Video	Complete Sentence
1. What is jurisdiction?		
2. What are the four levels of the court system in Florida?		
3. What is an appellate court?		
4. If you want to sue someone for \$15,000, to which level of the Florida court system would you bring your case?		
5. Explain why a plaintiff or a defendant cannot win a trial within a District Court of Appeal?		



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Federal Courts Video #2

Question	List Specific Evidence from the Video	Complete Sentence
1. Which section of the U.S. Constitution outlines the federal court system?		
2. What are the three levels of the federal court system?		
3. Your friend tells you that she just found out her case will be heard by the U.S. Supreme Court. What kind of question would your friend's case involve?		
4. What are three of the eight kinds of cases federal courts hear?		
5. Why can't a jury ever find anyone guilty of a crime within a U.S. Court of Appeals?		



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Powers of State and Federal Courts Video #3

Question	List Specific Evidence from the Video	Complete Sentence
1. Where are the powers and jurisdictions of the Florida court system described?		
2. What is the name of the highest court in Florida?		
3. Where does the federal court system get its powers and jurisdictions?		
4. What is the name of the highest court in the United States?		



Reading: Levels, Functions and Powers of Courts

Benchmark Clarification 1: Students will distinguish between the levels, functions, and powers of courts at the state and federal levels.

Reading Task	Response
What ideas are presented in the reading?	
What is the central idea of the reading?	
Select two words or phrases that support the central idea.	
How might this reading connect to your own experience or something you have seen, read, or learned before?	
How does the concept of jurisdiction impact the powers and functions of the courts at the state and federal levels?	Jurisdiction impact the powers and functions of the courts at the state and federal levels by:



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Reading: Constitution and the Court

Benchmark Clarification 2: Students will recognize that the powers and jurisdiction of the state and federal courts are derived from their respective constitutions.

Reading Task	Response
What ideas are presented in the reading?	
What is the central idea of the reading?	
Select two words or phrases that support the central idea.	
How might this reading connect to your own experience or something you have seen, read, or learned before?	
What roles do the US and Florida Constitutions play in deciding the powers and jurisdiction of the courts?	The US and Florida Constitutions impact the courts by:



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The Criminal Trial Process Video #1

Question	List Specific Evidence from the Video	Complete Sentence
1. What type of law is criminal law?		
2. What are Miranda rights?		
3. Summarize what happens from when a suspect is arrested to his or her first appearance in court.		
4. What is testimony?		
5. Summarize the four steps of the criminal trial process.	1.	
	2.	
	3.	
	4.	



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The Civil Trial Process Video #2

Question	List Specific Evidence from the Video	Complete Sentence
1. What type of law is civil law?		
2. What is another term for a civil case?		
3. Explain the difference between the plaintiff and the defendant.		
4. Summarize the four steps of the civil trial process.	1.	
	2.	
	3.	
	4.	



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The Appellate Process Video #3

Question	List Specific Evidence from the Video	Complete Sentence
1. When does the appellate process begin?		
2. Explain the difference between the petitioner and the respondent.		
3. Describe the only four reasons an appeals court might hear a case.	1.	
	2.	
	3.	
	4.	
4. How is the appellate process different from a criminal or civil trial?		

5. What are the 3 possible outcomes of an appeals court decision?	1.	
	2.	
	3.	
6. If a petitioner disagrees with the outcome of an appeals court decision, what is the final step he or she can take?		
7. Summarize the appellate process in your own words.		



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Juries Video #4

Question	List Specific Evidence from the Video	Complete Sentence
1. What is the proper term for the decision of a jury?		
2. How does a jury reach a verdict?		
3. What guarantees citizens the right to a jury trial?		
4. How do you know you have jury duty?		
5. Describe the consequences for not reporting for jury duty.		
6. Why are juries an important part of the criminal trial process?		



Reading: Appellate and Trial Processes

Benchmark Clarification 3: Students will compare appellate and trial processes.

Reading Task	Response
What ideas are presented in the reading?	
What is the central idea of the reading?	
Select two words or phrases that support the central idea.	
How might this reading connect to your own experience or something you have seen, read, or learned before?	
How does the appellate process differ from the trial process?	The appellate and trial processes differ in that:



Reading: Juries

Benchmark Clarification 4: Students will examine the significance of the role of juries in the American legal system.

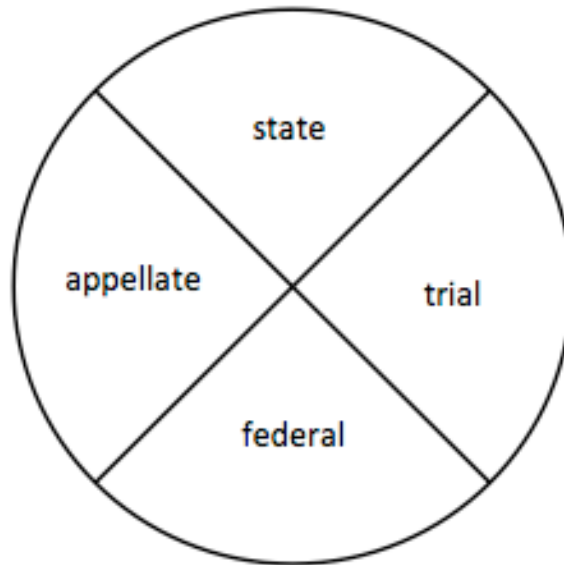
Reading Task	Response
What ideas are presented in the reading?	
What is the central idea of the reading?	
Select two words or phrases that support the central idea.	
How might this reading connect to your own experience or something you have seen, read, or learned before?	
Why do juries matter?	Juries matter because:



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Write about your understanding of **the levels, functions, and powers of courts** by explaining the connections between and among each of the terms in the concept circle.

How do the terms in the concept circle fit together?





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State and Federal Courts Practice Quiz Reflection

FIRST Attempt Score	I answered _____ questions right.
One thing I learned:	

SECOND Attempt Score	I answered _____ questions right.
One thing I learned:	