## **Branches of Government Mini Lesson**

## Grade Level

o 5th

## Technology

- Specdrums
- Google Docs

## Curriculum

Branches of Government

The students will work in groups of 3-4 with Specdrums and Google Docs to create a rap, song, or spoken poem helping them to remember the 3 branches of the U.S. government.

Students will use Google Docs to collaboratively write their rap, song, or poem. They will be given a list of requirements before they begin. All finished projects should be no more than between 1-3 minutes.

Students will then cooperate to use Specdrums. Specdrums is a Bluetooth device that helps students create music and background tracks. Students will use the various colors on the pad to create a background track for their song. They must also record themselves singing, rapping or speaking the words they wrote. This will be added on top of the background track.

Once they have completed their music in Specdrums, they will present to the class.