

Constitution and its definition. Complete the gaps with the following forms of verbs, either active or passive ones. Some of the verbs may be used twice:

active forms	passive forms
defines involves establishes divide refers guarantee	governed codified described applied

A **Constitution** is a system, often (1)..... in a written document, which (2)..... the fundamental rules and principles by which an organisation is (3)..... In the case of [nation states](#), this term (4)..... specifically to a national constitution, which (5)..... its nation's fundamental [political](#) principles and (6)..... the [power](#) and [duties](#) of each government. Most national constitutions also (7)..... certain [rights](#) to the people. Historically, before the evolution of modern [codified](#) national constitutions, the term *constitution* could be (8)..... to any important [law](#). Constitutions usually explicitly (9)..... power between various branches of government. The standard model, (10) by the Baron de Montesquieu, (11) three branches of government: **executive, legislative and judicial**. <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Constitution>