

Globe Lesson 12 - Congressional Travel - Grade 4-5

Skills used Latitude & Longitude
Using scale to measure distance
Determining travel time

Vocabulary constitution, legislative branch

Materials Needed Globe in Horizon Ring Mounting

Lesson

The **constitution** of the United States provides for the representation of each state in the **legislative branch** of the government. Each year members of the House of Representatives and Senate make many trips back and fourth between their home states and the city of Washington, D. C. where the business of our nation is conducted.

Find and circle Washington, D. C. on your globe. Washington's location is 39°N/77°W. The representatives and senators from which state have the longest travel distance to our capital city. (1.) _____ What is this distance? (2.) _____ How long would a flight of this distance take in a jet airliner? (3.) _____

How far do the representatives and senators from your state have to travel to get to Washington, D. C.? (4.) _____