# New constitution scaffold

Use this scaffold to help your students complete the Create a new federation classroom activity.

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|  | **Option 1** | **Option 2** | **Option 3** | **Create your own** |
| **Levels of government** | Three levels – federal, state, and local | Two levels – federal and local | Two levels – federal and state |  |
| **Head of State** | Hereditary monarchy | Appointed by parliament | Elected by the people |  |
| **Executive government** | Appointed by the Prime Minister from among elected representatives in their party | Appointed by the Head of State, may or may not be elected representatives | Made up of the Head of State, the Prime Minister and elected representatives from across the parliament |  |
| **Parliamentary structure** | Bi-cameral – two chambers | Single chamber | Two chambers plus an advisory body appointed by the parliament or the head of state |  |
| **Parliamentary powers** | Power to make laws on a limited number of topics, with remaining issues left to the other levels of government | Power to make laws on any topic, but also to delegate power to the other levels of government | Power to allow or disallow laws made by the other levels of government |  |
| **Election frequency** | Elections to be held on a regular schedule | Elections to be held when decided by the head of state | Elections to be held when decided by the parliament or government |  |
| **Representation** | Based on population, with each representative responsible for a similar number of voters | Proportional, with each representative sharing an electorate with a number of other representatives | Based on state or local government areas, with each electorate having the same number of representatives regardless of population |  |
| **Courts** | Judges and justices appointed by the government or the parliament | Judges and justices appointed by the Head of State | Judges and justices elected by the people |  |
| **Changing the constitution** | Referendum of the people | Decision of the parliament | Decision of the Head of State |  |