Chapter 9 The Executive Branch Study Guide for Civics

**IMPORTANT VOCABULARY**
1. **EXECUTIVE BRANCH** – BRANCH OF GOVERNMENT RESPONSIBLE FOR CARRYING OUT THE LAWS
2. **FOREIGN POLICY** – SET OF PLANS FOR GUIDING OUR NATION’S RELATIONSHIP WITH OTHER COUNTRIES
3. **AMBASSADORS** – ARE OFFICIAL REPRESENTATIVES TO FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS
4. **EXECUTIVE AGREEMENTS** – AGREEMENTS WITH OTHER COUNTRIES THAT DO NOT NEED SENATE APPROVAL
5. **DOMESTIC POLICY** – SET OF PLANS FOR DEALING WITH NATIONAL PROBLEMS
6. **BUREAUCRACY** – ORGANIZATION OF GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS, AGENCIES, AND OFFICES
7. **ADMINISTRATION** – TEAM OF EXECUTIVE BRANCH OFFICIALS, WHICH INCLUDES THE WHITE HOUSE CHIEF OF STAFF APPOINTED BY THE PRESIDENT BUT DOES NEED SENATE CONFIRMATION
8. **CABINET** – IMPORTANT GROUP OF POLICY ADVISERS TO THE PRESIDENT
9. **TREATIES** – FORMAL AGREEMENTS WITH OTHER NATIONS
10. **EXECUTIVE PRIVILEGE** – RIGHT OF THE PRESIDENT TO KEEP INFORMATION SECRET FROM CONGRESS AND THE COURTS.
11. **EXECUTIVE ORDERS** - RULES AND REGULATIONS THAT MEMBERS OF THE GOVERNMENT MUST FOLLOW

**Roles of the President:**
- Legislative Leader -
- Chief Executive -
- Judicial Powers -
- The Commander-in-Chief -
- The Chief of State -
- The Chief Diplomat –

**The Presidency/ Qualifications**
Requirements to be President:
- Must be 35 years old
- Must be a natural born citizen
- Must have lived in the U.S. for at least 14 years

**The Vice President** - acts as President if the President is sick or dies and his role in Congress *(we learned this in Chapter 8: The Legislative Branch)*

**Electoral College**
- Purpose
- How the government figures out the number of electors for each state

**Executive Departments (Cabinet)** Check your I-Civics hand outs or use your list in the text book.

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