State and Local Government

Grade 4 Social Studies Worksheet

Name _____ Date _____

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   Local leaders make laws for the whole country.

   State leaders work only during emergencies.

   Each one handles needs of a different size.

   State leaders run every city's daily services.

2. The traffic light at a busy city corner is broken. Whom should you contact first, and why?

   the city, because it runs city streets

   the governor, because the corner is in the state

   a state court, because traffic has rules

   Congress, because all roads are national

3. Which group makes rules for one city, such as where cars may park?

   the U.S. Congress the city council the governor's cabinet

   the state legislature

4. Which group makes laws for just one state?

   the city council the school board the state legislature the U.S. Congress

5. There is a pothole on a city street near your home. Where is the best place to report it?

   the U.S. Congress

   the state supreme court

   the President's office in Washington

   the city's road repair office

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