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## The Puzzle of Power: Why We Separate It

### Open-Ended Response Questions

1. Imagine a scenario where one branch of government becomes too powerful and starts making decisions that harm the country. Explain how the other two branches could step in to address this situation.
2. Do you think the concept of checks and balances and the separation of powers are essential in a democracy? Why or why not?
3. Research and discuss a historical event or case where the separation of powers and checks and balances played a crucial role in American government.
4. How does the efficiency of government operations benefit the citizens of a country? Provide an example to support your answer.

