

Jeopardy: Congress in a Nutshell

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100	This party controls the Presidency, the House of Representatives, the Senate, every single committee and subcommittee chairmanship and therefore all of the programs you care about. (OR – why you currently have less funding that you did five years ago)	This staffer is the “gatekeeper” of the Senator or Representative’s whereabouts.	A period of time when Members of Congress play golf with major campaign contributors and the best time to get them on a site visit or schedule an in-district meeting.	The members of a whole committee are each part of one of these, smaller, associated committees.	Legislation introduced in either the House or the Senate.
	<i>What is the Republican Party?</i>	<i>Who is the Scheduler?</i>	<i>What is recess?</i>	<i>What is a subcommittee?</i>	<i>What is a bill?</i>
200	The most senior Democratic member of a committee	This staffer reports directly to the Member of Congress and oversees the entire congressional office.	The process of attempting to influence the passage, defeat, or content of legislation by individuals or a group other than Members of Congress	This very powerful Committee exists in both the House and Senate and determines how much funding goes to each program by diving up billions amongst its subcommittees.	A change in a bill or document by adding, substituting or omitting portions of it.
	<i>Who is the Ranking Member?</i>	<i>Who is the Chief of Staff?</i>	<i>What is lobbying?</i>	<i>What is the Appropriations Committee?</i>	<i>What is an Amendment?</i>
300	This nice old lady introduced SELHA – oh yeah and she’s also the head of the Republican Committee in the House	This person heads up a Member of Congress’ local office(s) and is generally less powerful than his/her staff counterparts in the DC office.	The period of time from October 1 to September 30 2006 for which Congress is currently creating a budget.	DAILY DOUBLE The subcommittee under the Energy and Commerce Committee through which SELHA will pass. Bonus 100 pts- Who is the chair of this committee?	Legislation establishing a program and setting funding limits.

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	<i>Who is Rep. Deborah Pryce (R-OH)?</i>	<i>Who is the district director?</i>	<i>What is the fiscal year?</i>	<i>What is the Health subcommittee? Bonus: Rep. Nathan Deal (R-GA)</i>	<i>What is an Authorization Bill?</i>
400	This Mid-West Republican Senator controls Senate purse strings for HUD and has been relatively helpful on housing issues.	This person is responsible for covering a set list of legislative issues and is often who you meet or speak with regarding your legislative agenda.	DAILY DOUBLE A resolution enacted to allow specific Executive Branch agencies (like HUD) to continue operating even though funds have not been appropriated for them yet for the following fiscal year (like Congress asking for an extension on their term paper)	The Appropriations subcommittee that determines how much funding HUD programs will receive (or the sound Buck makes when Kiley drop-kicks him against the wall)	Legislation that provides funds for authorized programs (this is how Section 8 gets funded or not-so funded)
	<i>Who is Senator Kit Bond (R-MO)?</i>	<i>Who is the legislative assistant (or aide)?</i>	<i>What is a continuing resolution?</i>	<i>What is the TTHUD subcommittee (Transportation Treasury and HUD)?</i>	<i>What is an Appropriations Bill?</i>
500	This Senator barely won his reelection bid in 2004 and is on the Appropriations Committee and Chairs the Judiciary Committee. He also sent Project HOME a large chocolate Passover egg.	This person oversees the entire legislative schedule and makes recommendations regarding the pros and cons of particular issues.	Process, usually in committee of analyzing a piece of legislation section by section and making changes.	Meeting between Representatives and Senators (well really their staffers) to resolve differences when two versions of a similar bill have been passed by the House and Senate.	Bill regarding a single subject that combines many different aspects of that subject (or sometimes it takes congress until JANUARY to pass the appropriations one of these.
	<i>Who is Senator Arlen Specter (R-PA)?</i>	<i>Who is the legislative director?</i>	<i>What is “marking-up” ?</i>	<i>What is a conference committee?</i>	<i>What is an Omnibus Bill?</i>