

# Impact of Government on the Individual

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*Appropriate for grades 4-12.*

**Overview:** Many students do not grasp the impact that government plays in their daily lives.

**Purpose:** To help students begin the process of visualizing the government of Virginia as an important part of their daily lives.

**Activities:**

1. List 10 ways in which government has an impact/influence on them personally.
2. Identify from their list, which are the result of national government state government, and/or local government.
3. Write a brief paragraph on the topic, "Government Power Too Little or Too Much?"
4. Have students list as many activities as they can think of in which government plays no role. Once the lists are compiled start a discussion on whether or not government does or does not play a role in the item listed.