Names: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Apportionment and Gerrymandering**

**Apportionment: Use the website** [**http://redistricting.lls.edu/**](http://redistricting.lls.edu/) **to help you fill in the blanks below.**

1. Representation in the House of Representatives is based on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
2. To determine representation in the House, the government conducts a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ every 10 years.
3. After the population is formally counted, the House seats are apportioned among the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
4. State \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ draw district lines, in a process called **redistricting**.

**Gerrymandering**

**5) Define gerrymandering:**

**6) Give your interpretation of this famous political cartoon and its message in the space below:**



**Activities**

You and your partner will complete the activities together and answer the questions that go along with the activities.

**Activity one: Redistricting Puzzles**

<http://www.slate.com/articles/news_and_politics/map_of_the_week/2013/08/gerrymandering_jigsaw_puzzle_game_put_the_congressional_districts_back_together.html>

**7) What information did you find out about the following states while completing the puzzles? Choose three states to explain**

Iowa:

Michigan:

North Carolina:

Pennsylvania:

Maryland:

Ohio:

**8) What impact does gerrymandering have on a democracy?**

**Activity Two: Redistricting Game**

<http://www.redistrictinggame.org/>

9) What is the goal of Mission 1?

10) What are the goals of Mission 2 and 3?

11) How does the Voting Rights Act complicate redistricting?

12) What is the Tanner reform proposal?

13) What is the redistricting approval process?

**14) Supreme Court Cases Define Main Idea:**

*Baker v. Carr, Reynolds v. Sims, Shaw v. Reno, Gill v. Whitford*