



Unit 9: **Reconstruction**

Lesson 8: **Texas Today**



The Texas State Capitol in Austin
The Portal to Texas History

Warm-up

Follow the directions below to complete your warm-up

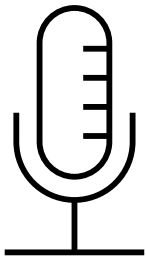
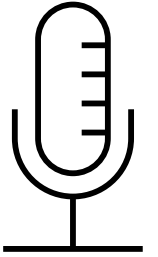


- Respond to each question in the graphic organizer with your opinions of government responsibilities.
- Share with a partner .

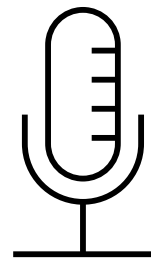


Share with the class:

I think the primary purpose of government is _____



I think the government should be responsible for _____



I think the government should **not** be responsible for _____

Essential Question

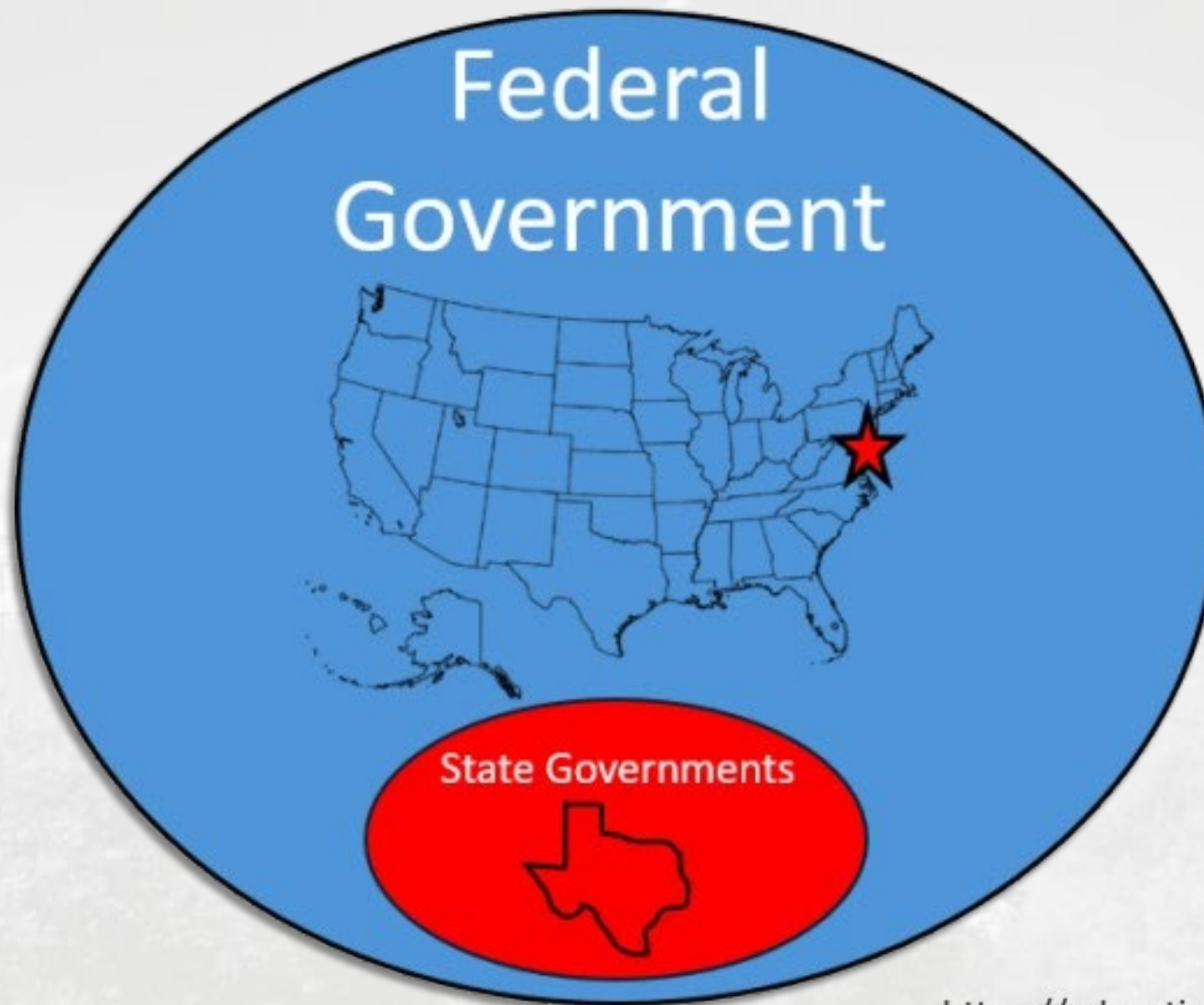


What are the three levels of government in Texas, what are the responsibilities of each level, and who are some of the officials at each level?

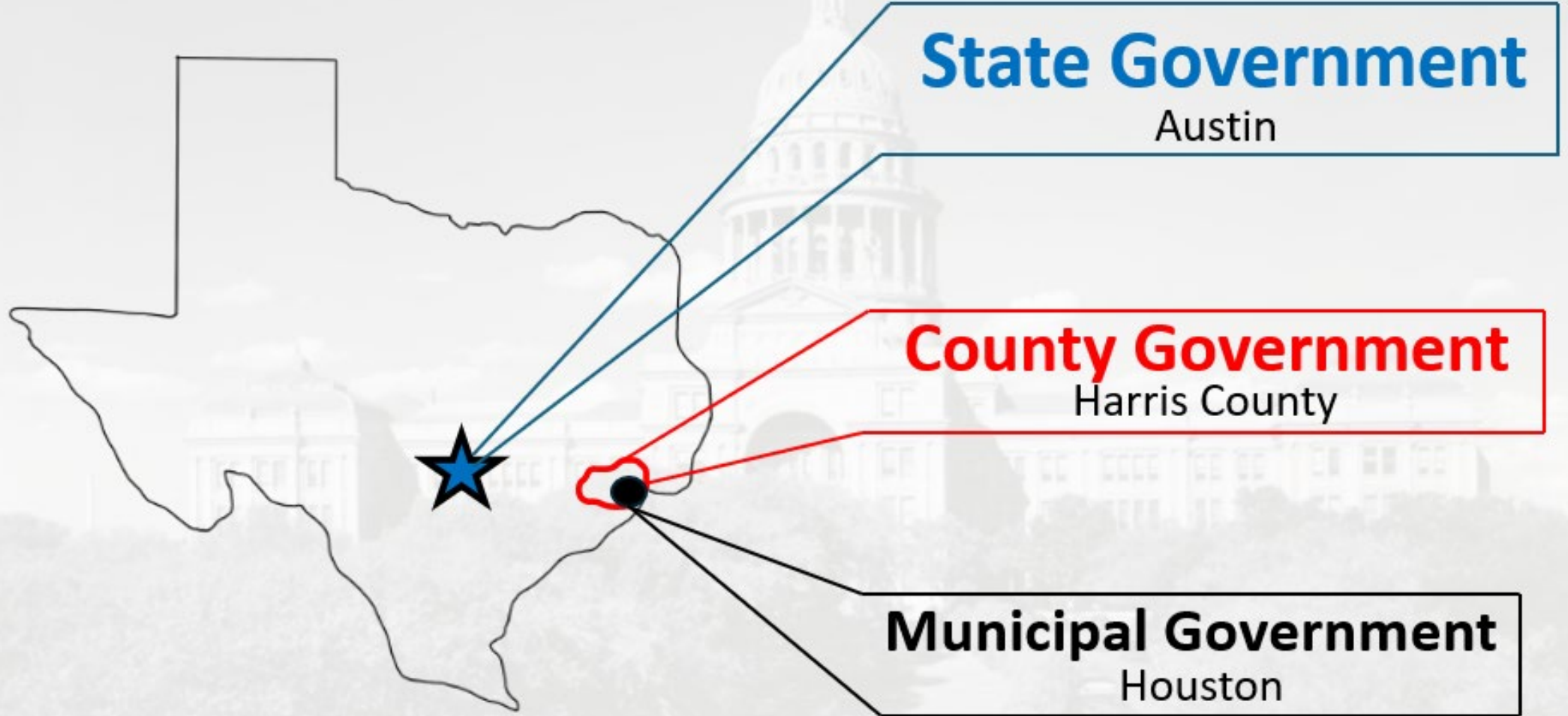
In Today's Lesson

- We will** examine the purpose, responsibilities, and people involved in the state, county, and municipal levels of government.
- I will** answer questions about each level of government based on information presented in the readings.

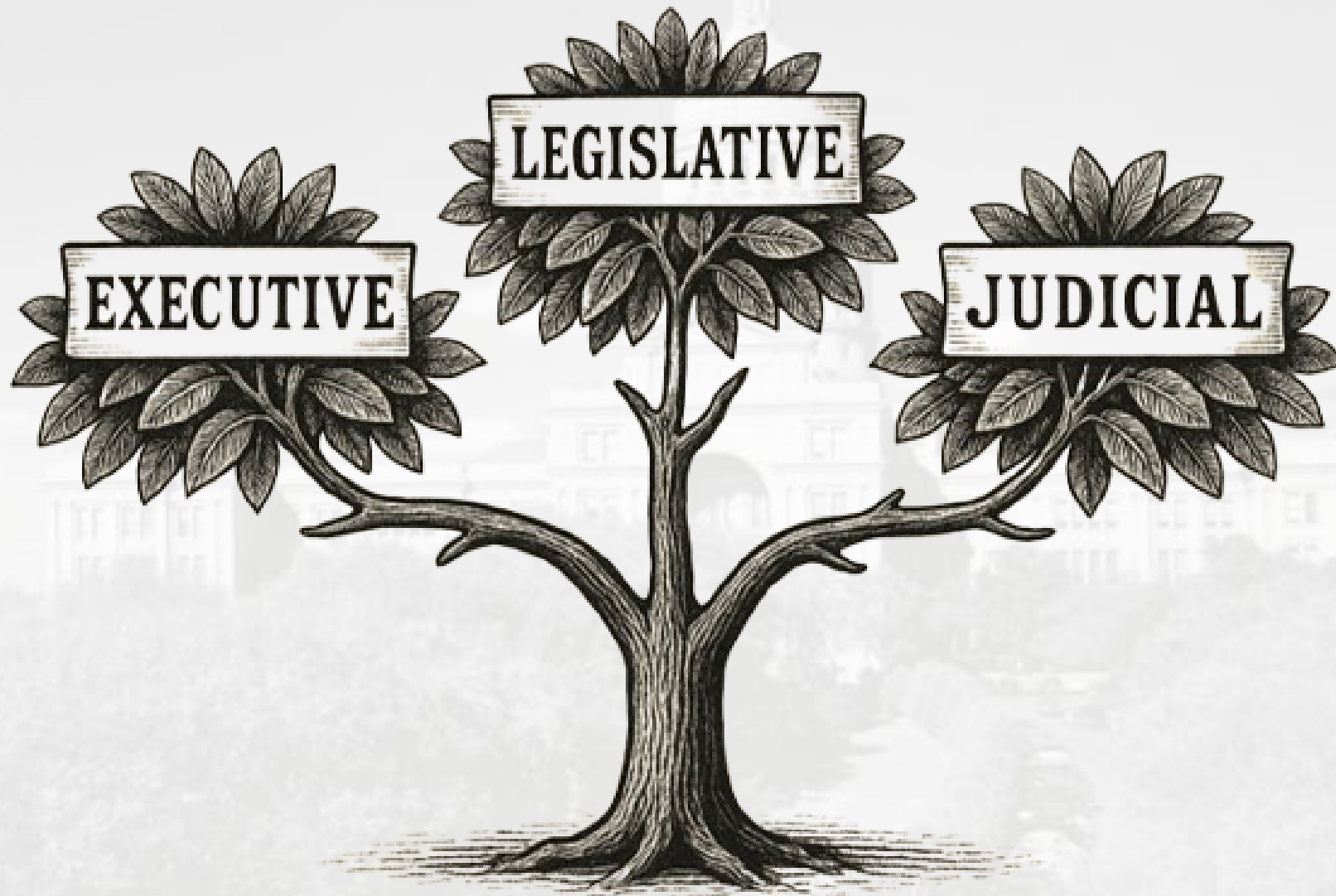
Levels of Government: Federalism



State Government Levels



Levels of State Government



Executive Branch

The Governor's Mansion
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The Texas Capitol
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The Texas House of Representatives
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Legislative Branch



Texas Supreme Court



County Government

The Historic Shelby County
Courthouse
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Municipal Government

The Historic Downtown of Denison
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Exit Ticket

Follow the directions below to complete your exit ticket



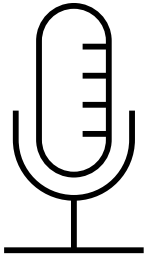
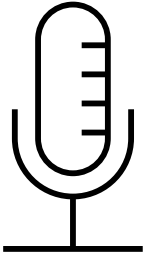
- Complete the sentence stem to demonstrate something you learned about each level of government.



- Share with a partner .

Share with the class:

One thing I learned about the state level of government is _____



One thing I learned about the county level of government is _____

One thing I learned about the municipal level of government is _____

