Checks and Balance of Iran and US governments?

United States of America

1. What two “checks” does congress have on the executive branch?
2. In what way does the US judicial branch have a check on the President?
3. In what way can the president check the power of Congress?
4. In what way does the President have power over the courts?
5. How can congress “check” the President’s appointments to the Judicial branch?
6. How can the courts “check” congressional power?
7. Of the three branches, which branches are elected by the people?
8. Using the US government diagram, what branch of government do you believe has the most power? Explain!

Islamic Republic of Iran

1. What does it mean that Iran has “Republic” in their name?
2. What three groups are elected by the people?
3. What power does the Ayatollah have over the executive branch?
4. What group decides who is permitted to run for parliament and the Assembly of Experts?
5. What is the responsibility of the Clerical Court, and to whom are they responsible?
6. How does the Supreme Leader have power over the Council of Guardians even though he only appoints ½ of its members?
7. Is there any “check” on the Supreme Leaders Judicial appointments?
8. What responsibilities does the President have?
9. What power provides the Council of Guardians with the authority over every law?
10. What person/groups have military authority?
11. What must all soldiers demonstrate commitment to?
12. How might the Supreme Leader benefit from having 4 military branches?
13. Who can be selected as Supreme Leader?
14. In what ways does Iran have a democracy?
15. Give three examples that make Iran not have a democracy.