

## Functions of Government

- ~ Resolve Conflict
- ~authoritative allocation of values
- ~ Maintain Order
- ~ Decide Who Gets What
- ~ Provide For The Common Good or General Welfare

## Functions of Law

- ~ Resolve Value Conflicts
- ~ Resolve Disputes
- ~ Allocate Authority
- ~ Limits on Authority (Rules For Rulers)

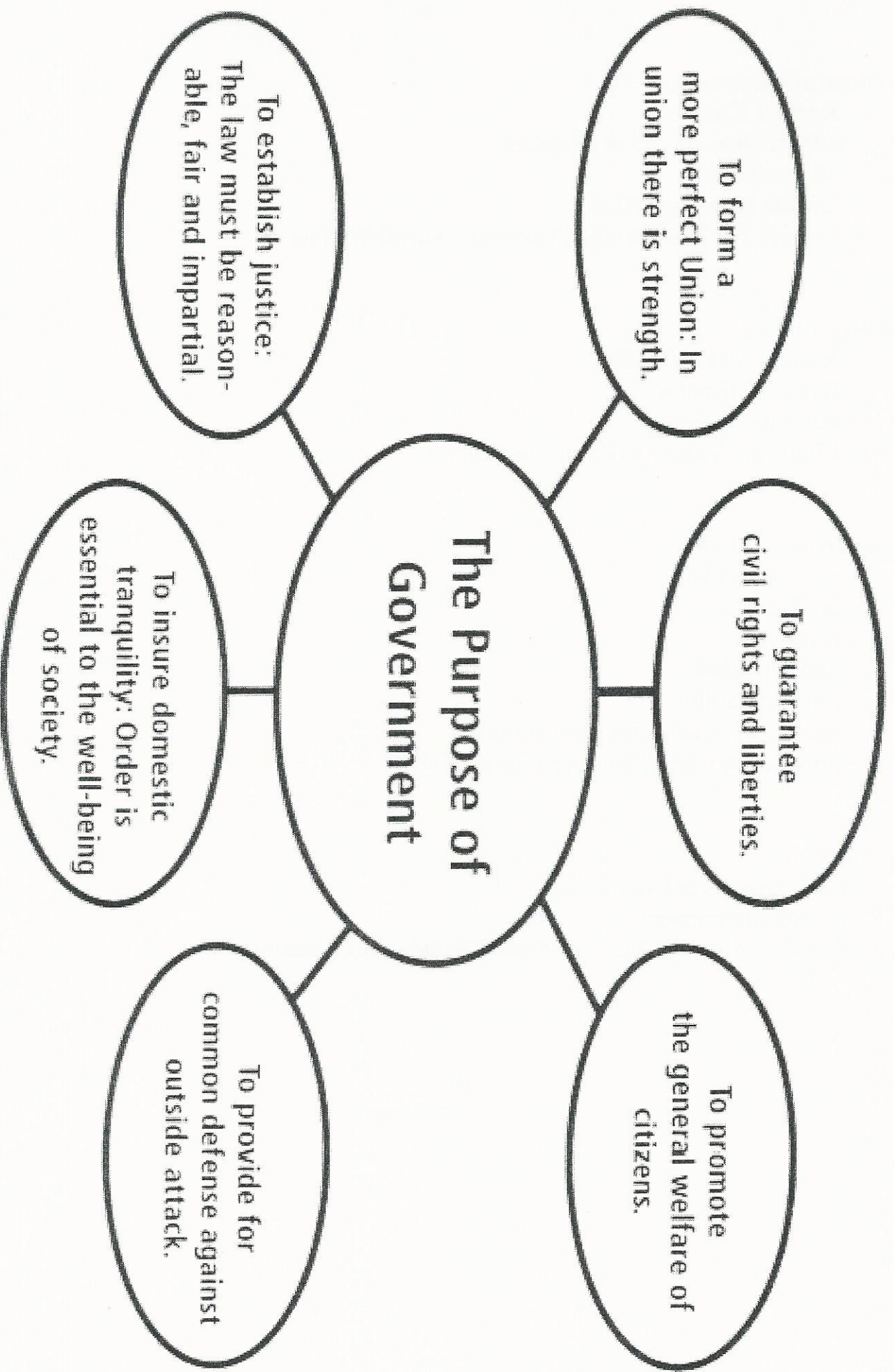
## Characteristics of Law

Law – should be :

- ~ predictable
- ~ consistent
- ~ understandable
- ~ provide stability
- ~ evolves gradually and incrementally
- ~ provides proximate solutions for insoluble

## Limits to Law

- ~Can't Guarantee Conformity
- ~ Needs enforcement
- ~ Law Is Defined In Fact Situation (Distortion of Meaning)



To form a more perfect Union: In union there is strength.

To guarantee civil rights and liberties.

To promote the general welfare of citizens.

To provide for common defense against outside attack.

To establish justice: The law must be reasonable, fair and impartial.

To insure domestic tranquility: Order is essential to the well-being of society.

# The Purpose of Government