

Engage:

What is the Difference Between Common Law and Civil Law Graphic Organizer

Directions: Read the article on common law and summarize each paragraph. Vocabulary terms are provided. The first one is done for you.

Opening Line of Paragraph	Vocabulary	Paragraph Summary in My Own Words
As lawyers know, legal systems in countries around the world...		<i>Common law and civil law are the two major systems of law around the world</i>
The main difference between the two systems is that...	predominate: to have greater importance underpinnings: the foundation of something	
The original source of the common law system can be traced...	equitable: fair	

Civil law in other European nations, on the other hand...		
In civil law countries, judges are often described...		
Lawyers still represent the interests of their clients in civil proceedings, but have a less central role...	quasi-legal professionals: partly lawyers but not fully	
In contrast, in a common law country, lawyers make presentations to the judge (and sometimes the jury) and examine witnesses themselves. The proceedings are then “refereed” by the judge...	remedy: solution entity: organization or business	
As these descriptions show, lawyers almost always...		