



# The League's Structure and Organisation

 **Know:** about the League's structure and the roles of each 'body part'.

Like any large organisation ( consider the structure of your school ) the League had a number of parts to its body. Some of these parts were involved with decision making while others carried out the actual work. The most powerful decision making part of the League was the **Council**. The Council contained four permanent members: Britain, France, Japan and Italy. Each of these permanent member held a powerful blocking vote called a veto. This allowed them to stop any decision they did not agree with. The Council met 5 times a year. The second decision making body was the **Assembly**. This was made up of the remaining members of the League. The Assembly was the League's parliament. It could decide which countries were allowed into the League and make recommendations that could then be put to the Council. Any decisions or recommendations made by the Assembly had a unanimous one - every member had to agree for a decision to be made. The Assembly met once a year. The **International Court of Justice** was the forum where disputes (arguments) between countries could be heard. It was based in the Hague, in the Netherlands. The Court also gave legal advice to the Council and Assembly. However, unlike normal courts it had no power to make sure that rulings were followed because the League did not have an army of its own. The League also contained four committees or commissions. They were largely responsible for carrying out the humanitarian ( helping people ) work of the League - thus helping achieve its aim of improving lives . The **Refugee Committees** job was to help prisoners of war and others displaced by WW1 back into their homes. The **Slavery Commission** was given the job of ending slavery that existed in some parts of the world. The **Health Committee** worked to prevent / reduce deadly diseases such as smallpox and provide education in areas such as sanitation + hygiene. The **Mandates Commission** was created to ensure that the colonies under the League's control were fairly run in the interests of the people living there. Aside from the commissions the **International Labour Organisation** was a separate body that looked to improve workers' rights and make the workplace safer. It also offered advice and encouraged employers to follow its strategies. The final body part was the **Secretariat**. It connected everything by keeping records and preparing reports to guide all the other agencies.

## Constructing the League of Nations.

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