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*Chapter 11, Political Parties: Vocabulary*

Use your glossary to define the words to know. You may need to use a separate sheet of paper.

1. affirmative action
2. initiative
3. referendum
4. recall
5. absentee ballot
6. eligible
7. registered
8. poll
9. propaganda
10. Political Action Committee
11. acceptance speech
12. nominee
13. predict
14. primary election
15. open primary
16. closed primary
17. conservative
18. constituent
19. incumbent
20. liberal
21. opposition party
22. platform
23. third party
24. nominate
25. progressive
26. Democratic Party
27. Republican Party

## Political Campaigns

**Directions:** Choose the correct ending from the box for each sentence. Write the ending on the blank lines.

- money they may accept as donations and how much they may spend on their campaigns
- depends on the importance of the office
- paying a staff, advertising, mailing letters, and traveling
- get candidates elected
- requires a large amount of money
- mailing appeals and selling tickets to special functions
- volunteers who work without being paid

1) In a political campaign, things are done to \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

2) Whether a political campaign is complicated or simple \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

3) Candidates are limited as to how much \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

4) Fund-raising committees may seek money by \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

5) A successful campaign for public office \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

6) Candidates depend heavily on \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

7) Some of the large expenses of a political campaign are \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

## All About Voting

**A. Directions:** Complete the paragraph with the words from the Word Bank. Write the correct word in each blank.

Word Bank				
citizen	convicted	dishonorable	eighteen	mentally

In order to vote in our country, a person must be a United States  
1) \_\_\_\_\_ and at least 2) \_\_\_\_\_ years old.  
Persons who have been 3) \_\_\_\_\_ of a serious crime may  
not be allowed to vote. Most states will not allow people to vote who have  
been judged 4) \_\_\_\_\_ incompetent. Some states will not  
permit anyone to vote who has received a 5) \_\_\_\_\_  
discharge from the armed forces.

**B. Directions:** The following steps are necessary in order to vote. Rewrite  
the steps in the correct order on the blank lines.

- 1) have official at your polling place check the records for your name
- 2) register to vote in your voting district
- 3) become informed about candidates and issues
- 4) go to your polling place
- 5) cast your ballot in secret

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## Vocabulary Review

**A. Directions:** Complete each sentence with a word from the Word Bank.

- 1) \_\_\_\_\_ may not be denied.
- 2) \_\_\_\_\_ were loyal to the government of England.
- 3) Political parties exist by \_\_\_\_\_, not by law.
- 4) The \_\_\_\_\_ supported a strong central government.
- 5) A \_\_\_\_\_ is someone nominated for political office.
- 6) Political parties have a \_\_\_\_\_ every four years.
- 7) The Republicans have been the more \_\_\_\_\_ political party.
- 8) A \_\_\_\_\_ is a list of candidates and the parties they represent.
- 9) The Democrats have been the more \_\_\_\_\_ political party.
- 10) Andrew \_\_\_\_\_ thought government should represent the common man.
- 11) A voting \_\_\_\_\_ is set according to population.
- 12) A \_\_\_\_\_ election takes place before the general election.
- 13) “\_\_\_\_\_” means in favor of changing government.
- 14) The \_\_\_\_\_ grants citizens the right to vote.
- 15) In order to vote, a citizen must \_\_\_\_\_ first.

**B. Directions:** Use the words from the sentences to fill in this puzzle. The letters in the box reading down tell you something every American over 18 should do.

1)	— — —	— — — — —	— — — — —
2)	— — —	— — — — —	— — — — —
3)	— — —	— — — — —	— — — — —
4)	— — —	— — — — —	— — — — —
5)	— — —	— — — — —	— — — — —
6)	— — —	— — — — —	— — — — —
7)	— — —	— — — — —	— — — — —
8)	— — —	— — — — —	— — — — —
9)	— — —	— — — — —	— — — — —
10)	— — —	— — — — —	— — — — —
11)	— — —	— — — — —	— — — — —
12)	— — —	— — — — —	— — — — —
13)	— — —	— — — — —	— — — — —
14)	— — —	— — — — —	— — — — —
15)	— — —	— — — — —	— — — — —

### Word Bank

ballot  
 candidate  
 Civil rights  
 conservative  
 Constitution  
 convention  
 custom  
 district  
 Federalists  
 Jackson  
 liberal  
 primary  
 Progressive  
 register  
 Tories

## The Democratic and Republican Parties

**Directions:** Each statement describes either the Republican or the Democratic party. Read each statement carefully. Write *Republican* or *Democratic* on the blank line to tell which party each statement describes.

- 1) This party was in power between 1941 and 1953.  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 2) This party began because it was against slavery.  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 3) In 1860 Abraham Lincoln was elected President of the United States as a candidate of this party.  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 4) Andrew Jackson was the first leader of this new party.  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 5) Begun in 1854, it was a combination of several groups.  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 6) After the Civil War, many Northerners supported this party.  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 7) The real beginning of this party was in 1827 when Andrew Jackson left the party that Thomas Jefferson started.  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 8) The Democratic-Republican Party changed its name to this political party.  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 9) After the Civil War, many Southerners supported this party.  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 10) The political party in power between 1881 and 1893.  
\_\_\_\_\_

## Major and Minor Political Parties

**Directions:** Write the correct word from the Word Bank on each blank line.

Word Bank		
American Independent	incumbents	platform
beliefs	influence	Progressive
conservative	informed	third
election	liberal	
four	opposition	

- 1) The less powerful political parties, or minor parties, are referred to as \_\_\_\_\_ parties.
- 2) In 1912, the \_\_\_\_\_ Party nominated Theodore Roosevelt for President.
- 3) Minor parties hold \_\_\_\_\_ that the major parties do not.
- 4) Even though minor party candidates seldom win, they do have a major \_\_\_\_\_ on the outcome of elections.
- 5) In 1968, the \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ Party formed to support Governor George Wallace of Alabama for President.
- 6) Republicans traditionally have been politically \_\_\_\_\_.
- 7) Democrats traditionally have been politically \_\_\_\_\_.
- 8) Each major political party has a national convention every \_\_\_\_\_ years.
- 9) A committee listens to ideas and suggestions for the \_\_\_\_\_ before the convention begins.
- 10) Political parties send newsletters to constituents to keep them \_\_\_\_\_.
- 11) When a party is not in power, it is the \_\_\_\_\_ party.
- 12) Political parties work between elections to get \_\_\_\_\_ re-elected in the next \_\_\_\_\_.

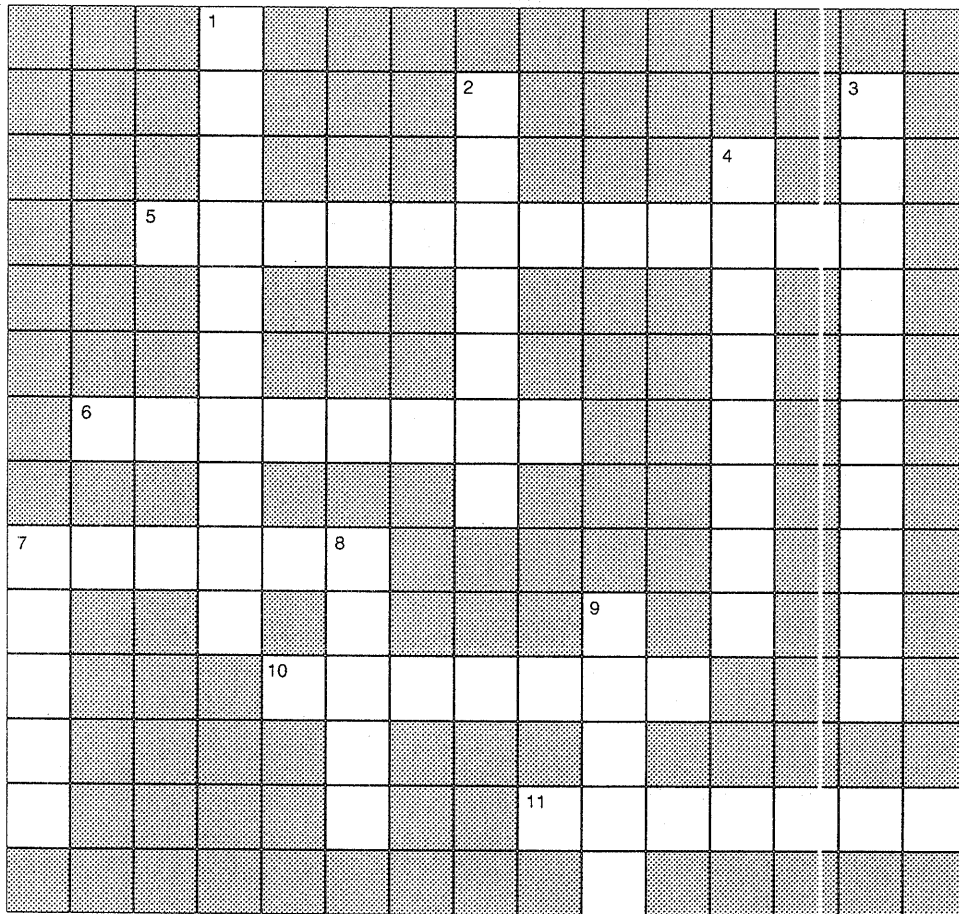
## The Campaign Staff

**Directions:** Choose the campaign worker from the Word Bank that fits the description. Write the name of the campaign worker on the line beside its description.

Word Bank	
campaign manager	poll taker
fund raiser	press secretary
media director	treasurer

Candidate	
1) Plans and runs the campaign.	1) _____
2) Handles contacts with news media.	2) _____
3) Seeks money contributions.	3) _____
4) Pays the bills of the campaign.	4) _____
5) Directs advertising and publicity.	5) _____
6) Conducts surveys to see how popular the candidate is.	6) _____

# The Political Puzzle



### Across

- 5) Grants the right to vote.
- 6) Statement of policy and promises.
- 7) Loyal to the government of England.
- 10) Believed the government should represent the common people.
- 11) Issue that led to the organization of the Republican Party.

### Down

- 1) Liberal party.
- 2) Held before the general election.
- 3) Held every four years.
- 4) Designated area for voting purposes.
- 7) Minor party.
- 8) Delegates from each \_\_\_\_\_ and each territory make up the platform committee.
- 9) Voting places.



## Voting in the United States

**A. Directions:** Read each statement carefully. Decide the correct order these steps must happen in order for a person to vote in the United States. Put a number on the line before each step to show the correct order.

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1) Go to the courthouse or other set place in the voting district where you live.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2) Go to the polls in your voting district on election day.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3) Place a paper ballot in the proper place or pull the lever on the voting machine before leaving the poll.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4) Register to vote.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5) Be a United States citizen.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6) Vote in the privacy of a voting booth.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 7) Give your name to an official at the poll.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 8) Be at least eighteen years old.

**B. Directions:** Choose the term from the Word Bank that matches each description. Write the correct term on the line beside each description.

### Word Bank

initiative	petition referendum
compulsory referendum	recall
optional referendum	referendum

- 1) Process of removing public official from office by voting. \_\_\_\_\_
- 2) Voting on a law proposed by popular demand. \_\_\_\_\_
- 3) Voting on a law that citizens have signed a petition against. \_\_\_\_\_
- 4) Proposing a law through a petition and voting on it. \_\_\_\_\_
- 5) An issue that is required to be sent to the voters for approval or rejection. \_\_\_\_\_
- 6) A proposed law referred to the public for acceptance or rejection. \_\_\_\_\_

