

Read pages 316-330 Due Monday November 2

1. Define and give a present day real world example how President Obama is:

Chief of State:

Chief Administrator:

Chief Diplomat:

Commander in Chief:

Chief legislator:

Chief of Party:

2. Reviewing the table on page 318-319 what would religion, ancestry and age would you expect President Bush and Obama to be?
3. The current Presidential pay is \$400,000 how does that compare to the salary listed in the textbook?
4. Under what circumstances can the Vice-President take charge even though the President is still alive?
5. Out of the following list look up the characteristics and background of 2 of the following Vice-Presidential candidates, Joe Biden (D), Sarah Palin (R) , (2008) Dick Cheney (R) (2000 and 2004), John Edwards (D) (2004) and Joe Lieberman (D-2000) and briefly analyze using examples how each of the two may have helped balance the ticket, enhancing the likelihood that parties candidate would win the Presidency.
6. How many electoral votes does it take to win the Presidency?
7. What happens if no one wins enough electoral votes to win the Presidency?
8. Under those circumstances who becomes Vice President?
9. Why did the framers of the Constitution choose to have an electoral system rather than a popular vote for President?

Read p. 330-340 Due Wednesday November 4

1. Under the Constitution what is the process to nominate someone for President
2. When did parties begin to use conventions to select their Presidential Candidate?
3. How do the parties determine how many "votes" each State should have at their Convention?
4. What roles do the States have in selecting the delegates to the Convention?
5. How do the Republicans and Democrats differ in how they allocate delegates to each candidate after a primary election?
6. What are the benefits and what the costs of having a nationwide primary rather than State by State?
7. How is a caucus different than a primary?

8. Based on the textbook description give 3 adjectives which you think describe the Convention setting.
9. Look up outside the textbook who gave Presidential candidate John Kerry's keynote address in 2004.
10. Go to www.democrats.org a
11. Based on the textbook who does the party typically nominate?
 - a. Look up President Obama's background-how does he fit the typical nominee?