

TOOLS FOR TEACHING THE 2016 ELECTION

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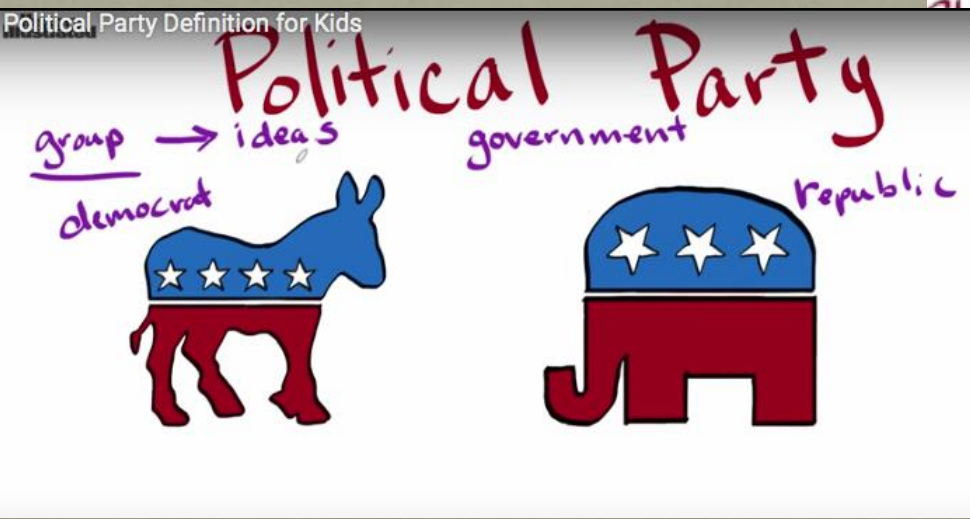
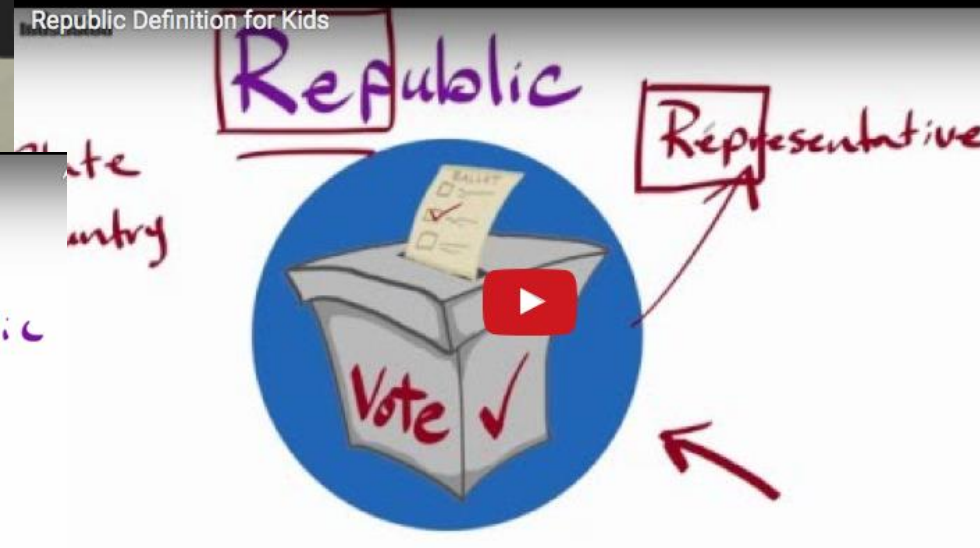
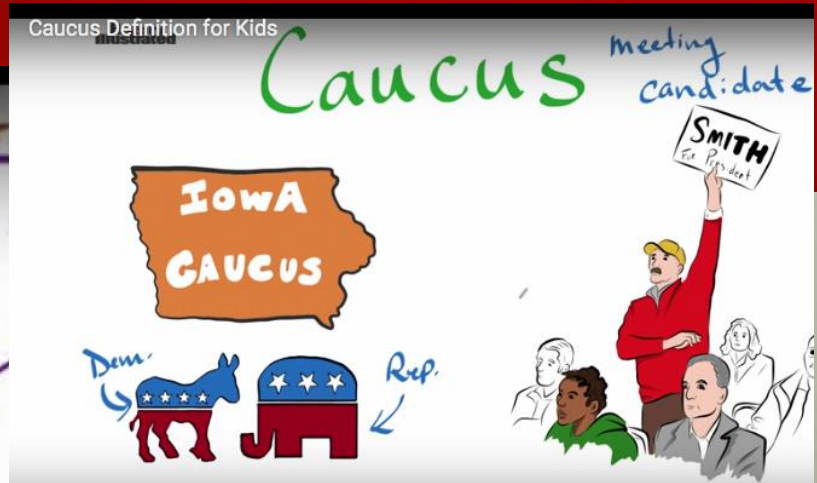
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INSTRUCTIONAL GOALS

- to increase student understanding of the American political system
- to increase student understanding of civic responsibility
- to increase student ability to recognize bias and propaganda
- to increase student ability to evaluate stances on key political issues

TOOLS FOR TEACHING ABOUT
THE AMERICAN POLITICAL SYSTEM









Our curriculum experts have assembled a great collection of resources to help you teach the upcoming election cycle and get your students excited about our democracy! We have organized our content into clusters to help you find exactly what you are looking for.

Get Gaming

Launched in time for Super Tuesday, our upgraded Win the White House 2016 game has already gained traction as a hit in classrooms this election season. Play today!

Visit our [Win the White House Landing Page](#) today!

Play [Win the White House Now!](#)

We're challenging you, your students, your neighbors, and friends to see how many electoral votes you can get when playing Win the White House 2016 with our *Get Your Game On: Can you beat 270?* campaign.

Play the game and share your score or game certificate on Twitter using [#EducateToParticipate](#).

Elections: The Basics

Get started with our handy [Election Glossary](#).

The [Electoral Process](#) lets students take a peek into how it all works, from party primaries to the general election. Students will learn the distinctions between the popular vote and the Electoral College and analyze the differences between the presidential and congressional elections. Students will also contrast the various nomination processes and learn about the role of party conventions in American politics.

[One Big Party](#) introduces students to the role political parties in the United States. Students will learn about the function of political parties and the influence parties have in our political system.

The Ins and Outs of Voting

Explore the evolution of [Voting Rights](#) in the U.S. through an interactive PowerPoint presentation highlighting landmark changes. Following the presentation and class discussion, students apply the new knowledge of voting legislation to individual scenarios through a class activity.

[Got Ballot?](#) covers everything from referendums to recalls, paper ballots to high tech voting booths. Students tour the voting booth and engage with what they might see on a typical ballot. They'll discover how voters have the opportunity to initiate change in state and local government. Students can make their own ballot using local election data with our reusable template.



TOOLS FOR TEACHING ABOUT
CIVIC RESPONSIBILITY

Elections and Issues

Politicians are often identified by the issues they support and do not support. Part of being an informed voter is understanding current issues and identifying candidates that support your beliefs.

Let's say you find out about the following current issue:

[Springfield Town Council Declares School Areas Gun-Free Zones](#)

You are a resident of Springfield who happens to live in one of the designated gun-free zones. Do you support the action of the Town Council, or oppose



YES

I support the action of the Town council.

NO

I do not support the action of the Town Council.

OKLAHOMA STATE ELECTION BOARD

Candidate Filing

List of 2016 federal, state and legislative candidate filings **NEW!**

2016 Candidate List Book (Official List of Candidates)

Candidate Withdrawals 

Contests of Candidacy 

2016 Declarations of Candidacy: Wednesday, April 13  Thursday, April 14  Friday, April 15 

2016 Statewide Candidate Filing Packet

Candidates for 2016 federal, state and county offices should use this packet

Declaration of Candidacy

Candidates for 2016 regular or special state and county offices should use this form

2016 General Election for President of the United States

Information about Oklahoma ballot access for candidates and electors for the 2016 General Election for President of the United States

Bryan Dean

OK State Election Board

Telephone: 405-521-2391

1. Last Name (Print)		First Name (Print)		Middle Name (Print)		Suffix (Print) Jr., Sr., II, etc.		
2. Birth Date Month Day Year		3. Identification Number (See Instructions.) a. Oklahoma Driver License Number (Required) _____ b. Last Four Numbers of Social Security Number (Required if no driver license) _____ c. <input type="checkbox"/> I do not have a driver license or a Social Security Number.						
4. Political Party <input type="checkbox"/> Democratic Party <input type="checkbox"/> Republican Party <input type="checkbox"/> Libertarian Party <input type="checkbox"/> No Party <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ (See Instructions.)								
5. Street or 911 Address or directions to your home					City		State	ZIP code
(Do not use a rural route or PO Box. See Instructions.)								
6. Mailing Address				City		State	ZIP code	
				7. County of Residence				
8. Have you been registered before? (See Instructions.) <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If you marked YES above, please give the following information.				9. Oath (See Instructions.) Are you a citizen of the United States of America? YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> Will you be 18 years of age on or before election day? YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> If you check NO in response to either of these questions, DO NOT sign or submit this form.				
Former Name		Former Party		I swear or affirm that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> I am a citizen of the United States and I am a resident of the State of Oklahoma. I am 18 years old or older, or I will be 18 on or before the date of the next election. I have not been convicted of a felony, or if I have been convicted of a felony, a period of time equal to the original sentence has expired, or I have been pardoned. I am not now under judgment as an incapacitated person. I am not under judgment as a partially incapacitated person prohibited from voting. The information I have given is true. I reside at the address given. I understand that submitting false information on this form is a felony punishable by not more than 5 years in prison, by a fine of not more than \$50,000.00, or both. 				
Former Residence Address								
City	County	State						
Voter ID Number								
If someone helped you fill out this application, the helper should write his/her name and address here.								
				X _____ Signature or Mark of Applicant Date				



National Student/Parent MOCK ELECTION

nationalmockelection.org





How Voting Laws Have Changed

Asterisks (*) indicate states that were formerly required to submit new voting laws for approval under the Voting Rights Act. This requirement was struck down by the Supreme Court in *Shelby v. Holder* in June 2013.

2010

2014

Early Voting

Felons

Absentee Voting

Voter ID

Early Voting Should you be able to vote in person before Election Day? It depends on where you live. [Read More](#)

No early voting

Early voting, 1-10 days

Early voting, 11-20 days

Early voting, 21-30 days

When ballots available,
31-46 days

Alabama *

Connecticut

Delaware

Hawaii

Kansas

Louisiana *

Alaska *

Arkansas

Colorado

Arizona *

California *

Indiana

Georgia *

Iowa

Maine



TOOLS FOR TEACHING ABOUT
POLITICAL PLATFORMS & KEY ISSUES

VOTE411.

ELECTION INFORMATION YOU



Hillary Clinton
(Dem)
Former U.S.
Secretary of State



Bernie Sanders
(Dem)
United States
Senator

Change Candidates >

Biographical Information -

Campaign Website

<http://www.hillaryclinton.com>

Campaign Email

info@hillaryclinton.com

Campaign Phone (646) 854-1432

Campaign Address

[Hillary for America](#)
[PO Box 5256](#)
[New York, NY 10185](#)

Campaign Website

<http://berniesanders.com>

Campaign Email

info@bernie

Campaign Phone (802) 862-1505

Campaign Address

[Bernie 2016](#)
[PO Box 905](#)
[Burlington, VT 05402](#)

How do you propose to address the most important challenges facing our country? -

Hillary Clinton:

I have laid out four fights to face our greatest challenges: we must create an economy that raises pay and creates good jobs, ensuring those at the top pay their fair share. We have to support families by expanding access to health care and other vital services. We must maintain our leadership for global peace and security. Finally, we must stop the flow of secret money that

Bernie Sanders:

I will address the most important challenges facing our country by bringing people together to reinvigorate democracy. Middle class and working families and low income people. White, Black, Hispanic, and Native American. Men and women. Straight and gay. Native born and immigrant. This is the only way to address the major economic, political,

NATIONAL DEFENSE/ISIS

The Islamic State, also known as ISIS, ISIL or Daesh, first rose to power in 2014 when the group seized territory in Western Iraq and declared a worldwide caliphate following an extremist interpretation of Islam. Since then, the group has claimed responsibility for a wide expanse of violence stretching from Iraq into Syria and to other parts of the world where followers carried out acts of terrorism. Although the group originally began as part of the global terrorist organization al-Qaida, it split off and began mounting a military campaign taking advantage of continued instability in Iraq following the U.S. military's initial withdrawal in 2011 and the ongoing civil war in Syria. Radicalized recruits from other parts of the world have traveled to the Middle East to join the Islamic State's campaign. Militant groups in Africa and South Asia have also professed allegiance to the group. A U.S.-led coalition of 60 nations and other groups formed in 2014 to address the threat of ISIS by providing support via and training to those already fighting the group on the ground. To date, the U.S. has also orchestrated several hundred airstrikes and backed militias led by Muslim groups that opposed ISIS. Since November's attacks on Paris and the San Bernardino, California shooting in December, both perpetrated by self-professed followers of the Islamic State, safety concerns in the U.S. have come to a head with some Republicans calling for increased security measures on who is allowed to enter the country and accusing President Obama of not doing enough to contain the threat of ISIS. Democrats have been more hesitant to back sending ground troops to fight ISIS, as some Republicans have proposed.



CANDIDATE QUOTES

Bernie Sanders (D)

Jeb Bush (R)

Hillary Clinton (D)

Donald Trump (R)



LETTERS

**TO THE NEXT
PRESIDENT**

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TOOLS FOR TEACHING ABOUT
BIAS & PROPAGANDA



Image Two: Politics

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B.



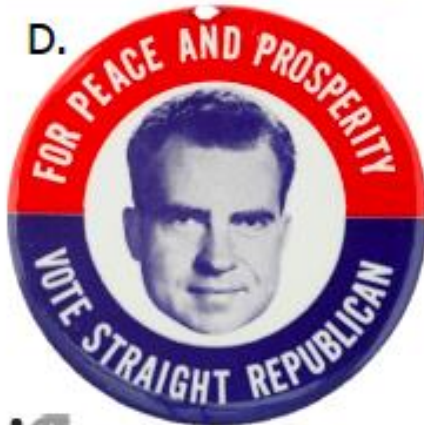
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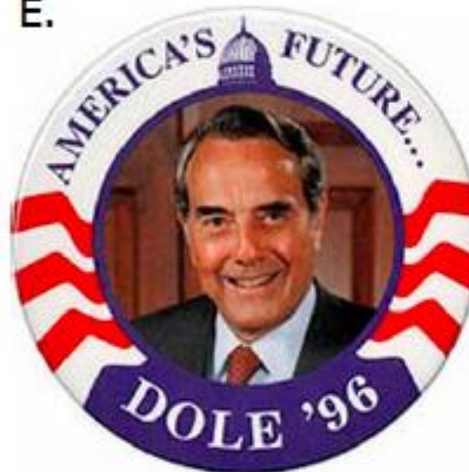
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D.



E.



iCIVICS



THE PLAY BY PLAY POLITICAL PROPAGANDA ANALYSIS



NAME:

PERIOD:

Identify specific propaganda techniques in political campaign ads and explain why the ad might be misleading.

AD #1

WHAT PROPAGANDA TECHNIQUES ARE USED?

EXPLAIN WHY THE AD MIGHT BE MISLEADING:

AD #2

WHAT PROPAGANDA TECHNIQUES ARE USED?

EXPLAIN WHY THE AD MIGHT BE MISLEADING:

AD #3

WHAT PROPAGANDA TECHNIQUES ARE USED?

EXPLAIN WHY THE AD MIGHT BE MISLEADING:

AD #4

WHAT PROPAGANDA TECHNIQUES ARE USED?

EXPLAIN WHY THE AD MIGHT BE MISLEADING:

