

## Alternative Instruction

### Current Events

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Site for readings

<http://www.ushistory.org>

**Day 1** Click on American Government icon and scroll down to 4e Voting: A Forgotten Privilege.

Read article and answer the following questions.

1. List 5 reasons why people don't vote.
2. What is the motor voter law?
3. What is an off year election?

**Day 2** Click on American Government icon and scroll down to 5a Political Parties.

Read article and answer the following questions.

1. Who was the first to warn of political parties?
2. List 4 roles of political parties.
3. List 3 good reasons for a two party system.
4. Political parties are regarded as a \_\_\_\_\_.

**Day 3** Click on American Government icon and scroll down to 5b Campaigns and Elections.

Read article and answer the following questions.

1. List 2 types of elections.
2. Most American voters identify themselves as \_\_\_\_\_.
3. List 3 types of primaries.
4. Most states conduct \_\_\_\_\_ primaries.

**Day 4** Click on American Government icon and scroll down to 7c selection and Succession of the President.

Read article and answer the following questions.

1. What selects the President?
2. List 5 Presidents that have lost the popular vote but won the Presidency.
3. Which amendment limits the President's terms of office.
4. Which Amendment defines Presidential succession?
5. List the only job given to the Vice President.

**Day 5 Click on American Government icon and scroll down to 7e Presidential character.**

**Read article and answer the following questions.**

1. List 8 common leadership qualities of good Presidents.
2. List 3 Presidents that always lead in best President ratings.
3. List 3 that are always near the bottom.
4. Which quality do you think is best? And Why?