

Name: _____

Date: _____

During-Viewing Activity 2 (cont'd)



E. _____—takes place every four years

1. Voting takes place on the Tuesday after _____
2. Voters go to a private polling booth to cast their vote for president and vice-president
3. Ballot lists the Republican and Democratic candidates as well as any independent candidates

F. _____—electors equal to the number of U. S. Senators (2) and the number of representatives in the U. S. House of Representatives (determined by state population)

1. The larger the state, the more electoral votes a candidate gets
2. In most states, the candidate who wins the popular election gets the state's _____ votes
3. It is important for a candidate to win the popular vote, especially in highly populated states, so that the electoral votes from that state will also be awarded to the candidate

G. The most important duty as an American citizen is to _____.



Outlining Can Be Fun!

I. United States System of Government

A. Three Branches of Government

1. _____—known as Congress—is made up of elected officials.
 - a. _____
 - b. _____
2. _____
 - a. _____
 - b. Members interpret the laws
3. _____
 - a. _____
 - b. Carries out the nation's laws

II. Presidential Elections

A. Presidential Qualifications

1. The person must be a natural born—_____
2. Must be at least _____ years of age
3. Must have been a resident of the United States for at least _____ years

B. Political Parties—There are two major political parties in the United States

1. _____—symbol is a donkey
2. _____—symbol is an elephant

C. Presidential Caucuses and Primaries—elections held by Republicans and Democrats to help choose _____

D. _____—each party holds a national nominating convention a few months before the November presidential election

1. Delegates from each state vote for the candidate of their choice within the political party.
2. The winning candidate will go on to run for president in that political party