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### Guided Notes on Political Parties

1. Benchmark SS 7.C.2.8.; Identify America's current political \_\_\_\_\_ and illustrate their \_\_\_\_\_ about government.
2. A political party is a group of \_\_\_\_\_ who \_\_\_\_\_ the same views about \_\_\_\_\_.
3. True or False: Political parties are defined by the U.S. Constitution: \_\_\_\_\_
4. True or False: George Washington had no party and thought they were dangerous: \_\_\_\_\_
5. Political ideology is a world- v \_\_\_\_\_; v \_\_\_\_\_; process of social \_\_\_\_\_
6. A political platform is a \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ supported by the party.
7. What do political parties do?:
  - a. \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. \_\_\_\_\_
  - c. \_\_\_\_\_
  - d. \_\_\_\_\_
  - e. \_\_\_\_\_
  - f. \_\_\_\_\_
8. Watchdog: The party \_\_\_\_\_ in power closely \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ in power.
9. We describe America as having a \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ system because two political parties have dominated throughout its history.
10. Minor parties are called \_\_\_\_\_ parties. No third party candidate has become \_\_\_\_\_
11. Since 1860, the 2 parties that dominate are the \_\_\_\_\_ and the \_\_\_\_\_.
12. True or False: The Party Systems changed over time, and the two major parties traded platforms and ideologies, so that the current Democratic Party resembles the Old Republican Party and current Republican Party resembles the old Democratic Party. \_\_\_\_\_
13. What are Republican core beliefs & ideas:
  - a. \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. \_\_\_\_\_
  - c. \_\_\_\_\_
  - d. \_\_\_\_\_
14. List the last 7 Republican Presidents: \_\_\_\_\_

15. What are Democrats core beliefs and ideas:

a. \_\_\_\_\_

b. \_\_\_\_\_

c. \_\_\_\_\_

d. \_\_\_\_\_

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16. List the last 7 Democratic Presidents: \_\_\_\_\_

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17. What are different types of third parties? \_\_\_\_\_

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18. True or False: There has been at least one third party President elected. \_\_\_\_\_

19. What do Third Parties try to do? \_\_\_\_\_

20. The \_\_\_\_\_ Party tries to influence policy makers to focus on the environment.

21. The \_\_\_\_\_ Party want as little governmental interference as possible.

22. The \_\_\_\_\_ Party want more government services, such as free healthcare and education, to help its citizens for the benefit or "welfare" of society.

23. The \_\_\_\_\_ Party wants government to take over private property and to share the wealth with all members of the society equally.

24. The Right is: Conservative or Liberal? Democrat or Republican? \_\_\_\_\_

25. Conservatives believe: \_\_\_\_\_

26. The Left is: Conservative or Liberal? Democrat or Republican? \_\_\_\_\_

27. Liberals believe: \_\_\_\_\_

28. Most Americans are: \_\_\_\_\_

29. True or False: There are extremist groups on both the left and right. \_\_\_\_\_

30. True or False: All Democrats have the same stance on all issues. \_\_\_\_\_

31. True or False: All Republicans have the same stance on all issues. \_\_\_\_\_

32. What is something you did not already know about political parties? \_\_\_\_\_

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33. What do you think about political parties? \_\_\_\_\_

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