

A Day in the Life of the President

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MR. PRESIDENT!

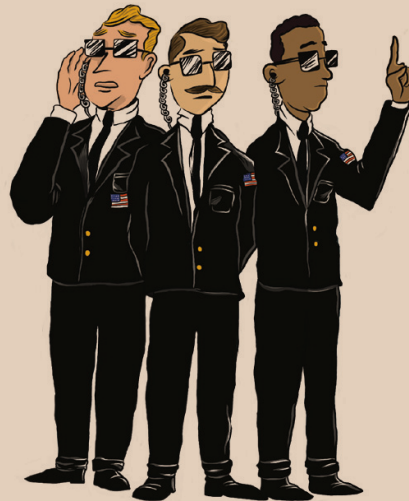


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Welcome to the White House! For the rest of this book, you're the president. You're a little more than halfway through your first term and are hoping to be re-elected. You've been pretty popular so far, so you think this is a real possibility!

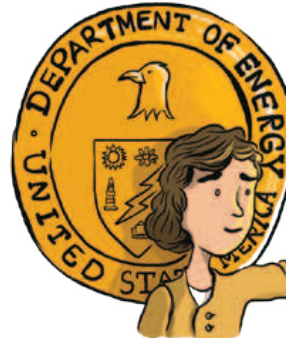
Before you begin your day, you'll need to meet your staff.



Sandra Patel



Alejandro Warren



Diana Freedman



Kevin Mansfield



Ariana Zimmerman



Laura Sandoval

Match the job description with the title.

Secretary of the Treasury
Laura Sandoval

Secretary of Homeland Security
Sandra Patel

Attorney General
Kevin Mansfield

Secretary of Energy
Diana Freedman

Campaign Manager
Alejandro Warren

Secretary of Housing and Urban Development
Ariana Zimmerman

She works with scientists to create cleaner forms of energy and finds more efficient uses for the energy we already use.

He managed your last campaign—he's obviously good at what he does!

She helps Americans have access to affordable housing.

She makes sure our country is safe from domestic (here in the U.S.) and foreign (outside of the U.S.) threats.

He helps the president with legal matters and is the head of the Department of Justice. He's basically a lawyer for the entire country.

She's the president's economic advisor. She tells the president how our country should spend its money.



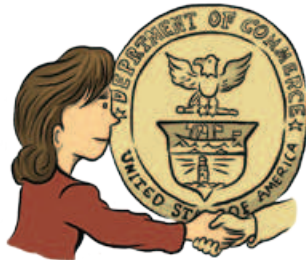
Nina Chen



Bruce Boswell



Hayley Igarashi



Jillian Romano



Derek Shea



Match the job description with the title.

Press Secretary
Nina Chen

Secretary of State
Brian Chang

Secretary of Commerce
Jillian Romano

Secretary of Agriculture
Bruce Boswell

Secretary of Labor
Derek Shea

Chief of Staff
Hayley Igarashi

She manages the president's staff and helps keep track of who goes in and out of the Oval Office. She also speaks with Congress on the president's behalf.

He enforces and creates laws related to the workplace and settles disagreements between businesses and people.

He makes sure the food we eat is safe and healthy and makes sure farmers have what they need to make it.

He helps with foreign matters. He spends most of his job in other countries, meeting with leaders from around the world.

She's the head of Department of Commerce and oversees businesses and industry.

She organizes interviews with reporters from newspapers, magazines, blogs and television, and speaks with the media on your behalf.

Security Briefing

Good morning! Sandra has provided you a list of the most pressing security issues for the day. Read each one and circle the action you'd like to take.

Hackers have taken down a major bank's website, and millions of citizens' money may be at risk.

Get the CIA on it ASAP!

As president, I shouldn't be messing with people's bank accounts. It's unfortunate, but I can't do anything about it.



Jewelry store heists are taking place all over Atlanta.

Contact local police to see if they need help.

Move over, Atlanta police! The Commander-in-Chief will take it from here!



We've broken into a ring of people trying to steal the American flag from the Smithsonian. They're eyeing the ruby slippers, too.

Don't worry about it—someone's bound to notice people carrying a 34-foot flag around town. If they pull off the heist, I'm sure the police will take care of it.

It's important to protect our national treasures! Tell Smithsonian security to keep an eye out for shifty-looking characters hanging too close to the flag.

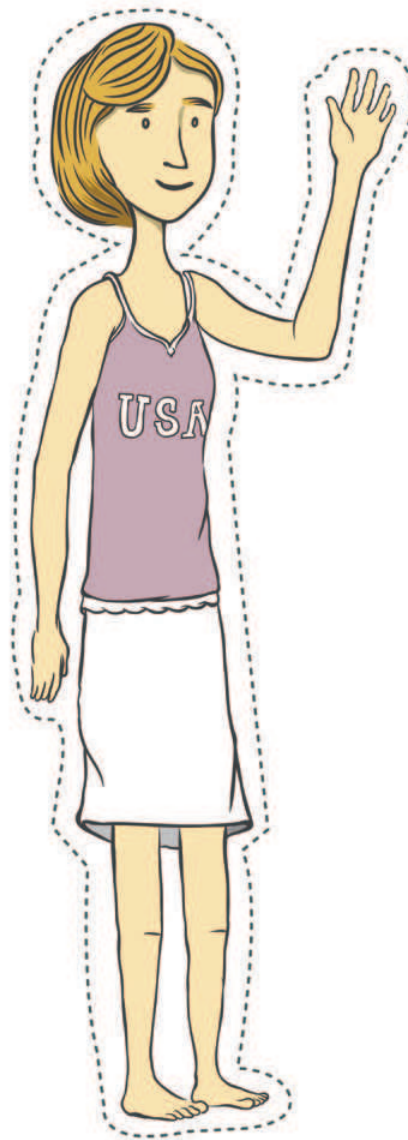
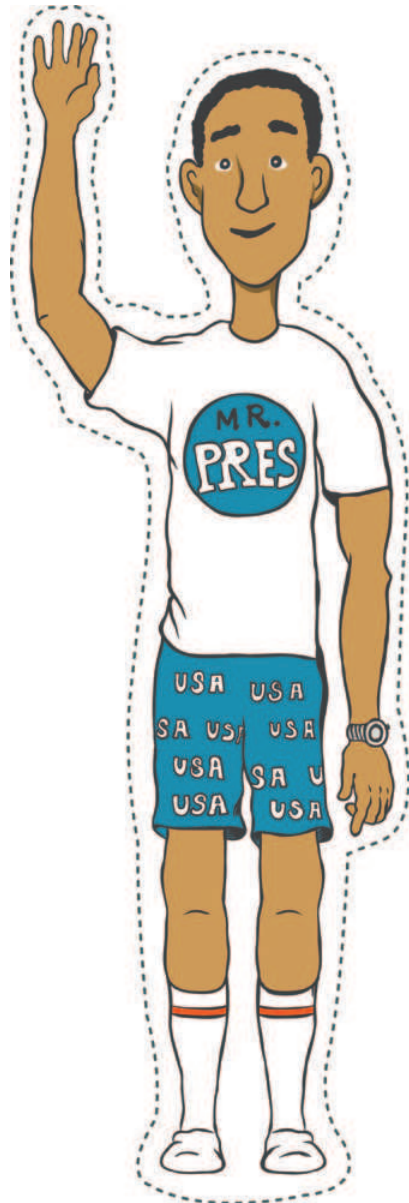


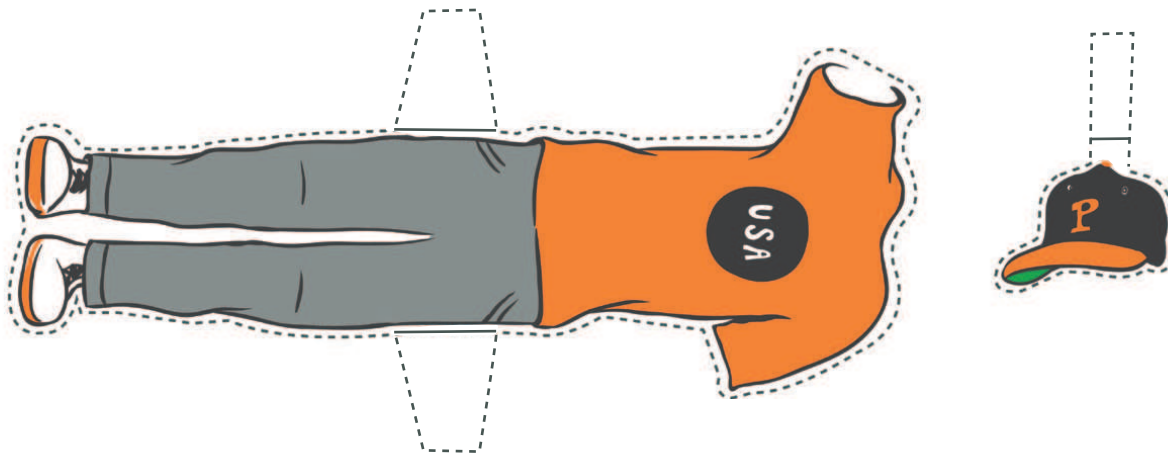
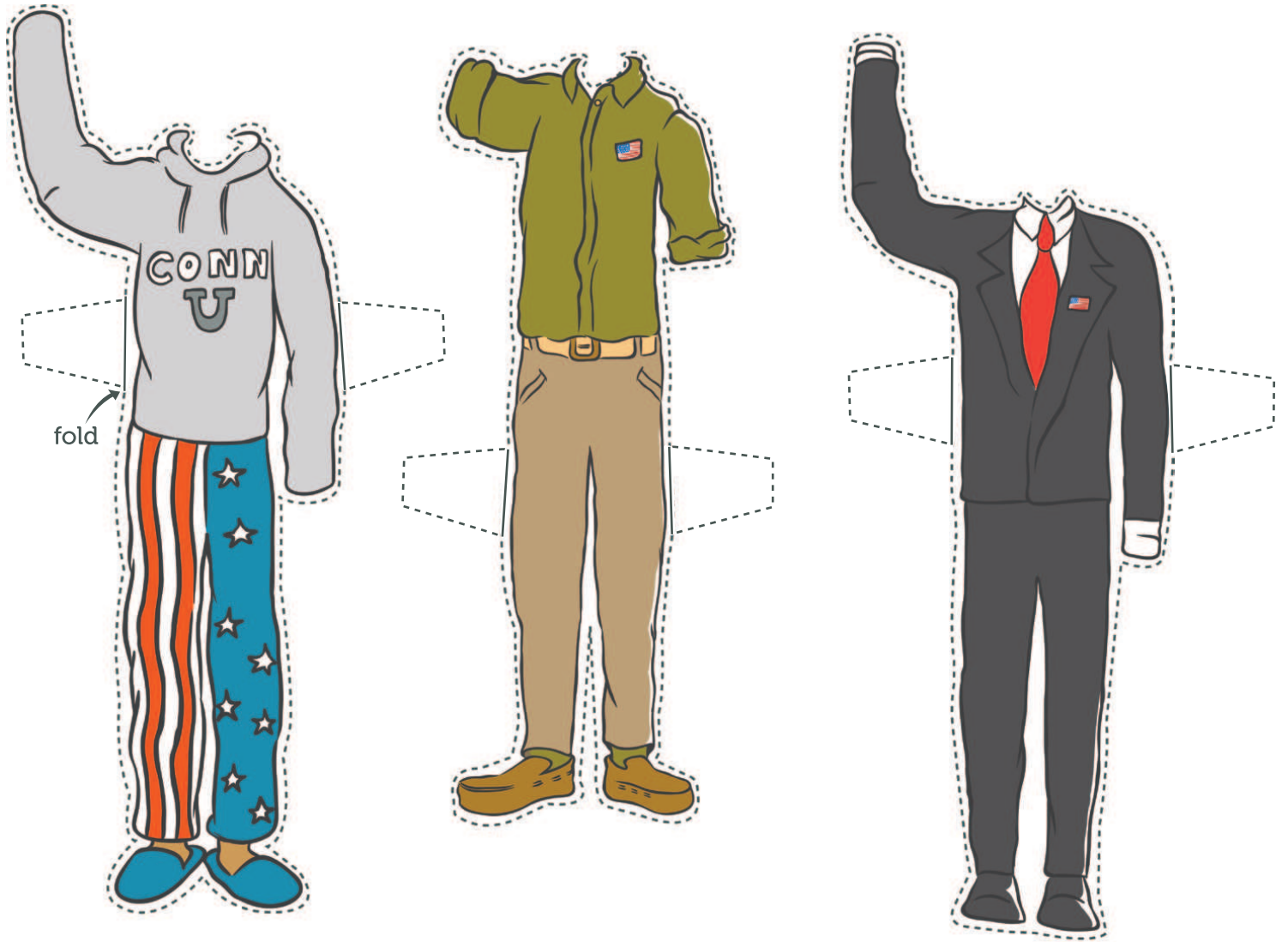
PRESIDENTIAL PAPER·DOLLS

Presidents lead many different lives: political leader, commander in chief, parent, athlete and fun-loving friend. For every role they play, they need to dress the part.

Below are two different presidents that need help getting ready for several different events. Cut them out and dress them for:

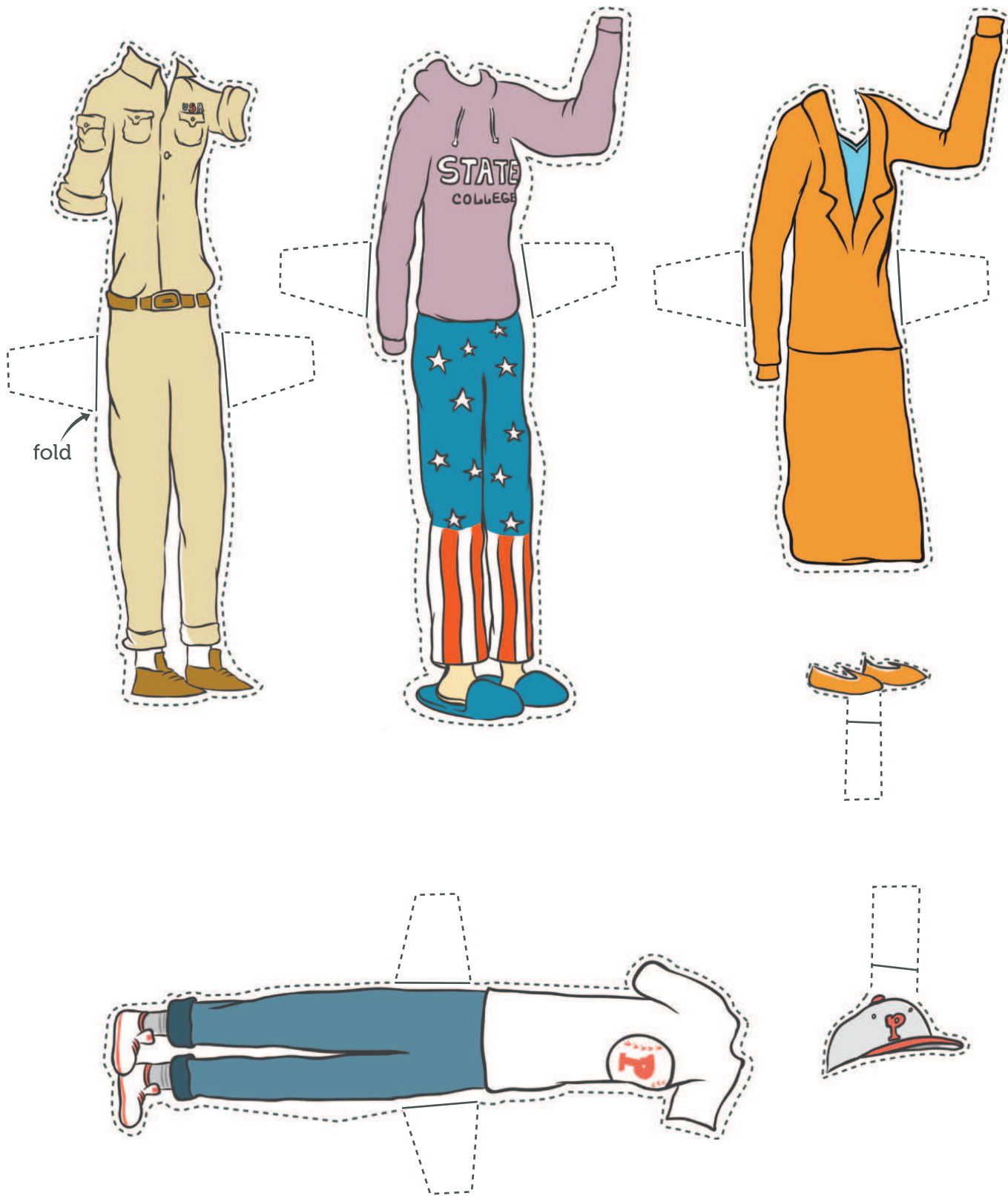
- Speaking at a fundraiser
- Throwing out the first pitch at a baseball game
- Visiting soldiers overseas
- Relaxing at home





Cut out the clothes and tabs along the dotted line. Fold tabs along the solid line and wrap the clothes around the Presidential paper doll.





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The leader of a small foreign country has written you to ask for help. Read his letter and write a response below. As you read, consider how helping this country could affect your budget, resources and future relations between your two countries.

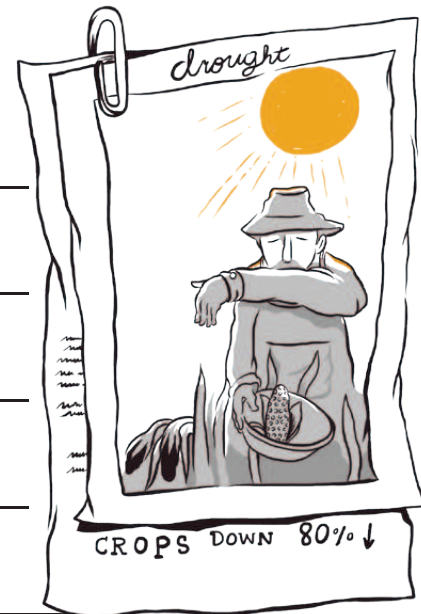
Dear Mr./Mrs. President,

I hope this letter finds you well. I am writing to inform you of my country's current state.

Lately we have been the victims of a dreadful drought, leaving our crops barren. I am hoping you will consider helping us. Families are hungry. We are a largely agricultural country. Without water, our farmers cannot produce food, and therefore cannot make money, which only makes the situation worse.

Please help us put an end to this terrible poverty. We would welcome any assistance, financial or otherwise, that you can provide us.

Sincerely, *The President of Freedonia*





★ WEEKLY ADDRESS

Many presidents in history have established regular public announcements about current events and affairs that affect the entire nation.

Look through a newspaper or blog and find a news story that affects the country. Write a short speech about it on the lines below.



My fellow Americans,

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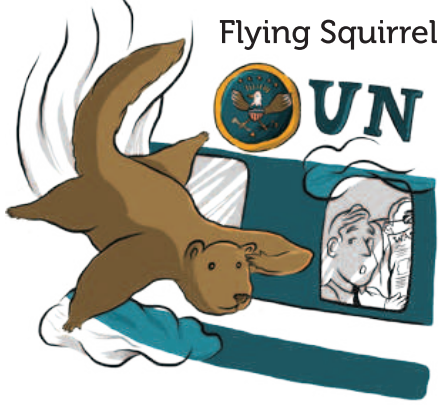
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PETS

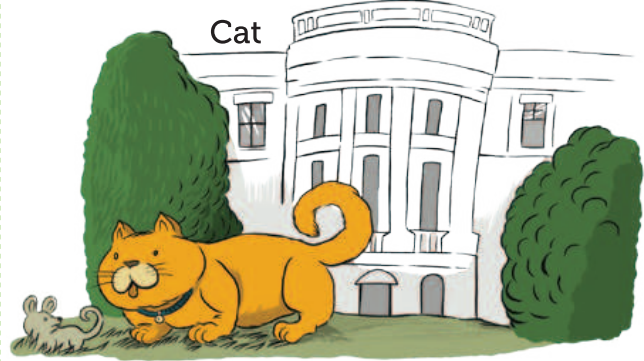
Every good presidential family keeps a pet in the White House. What pet should you get? Remember, not only do you have to like the animal, it's important that the public likes it, too. Circle the pet you would like to have as president.



Flying Squirrel



Dog

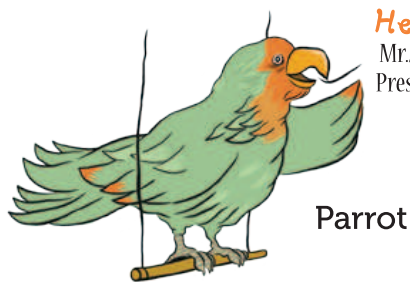


Cat

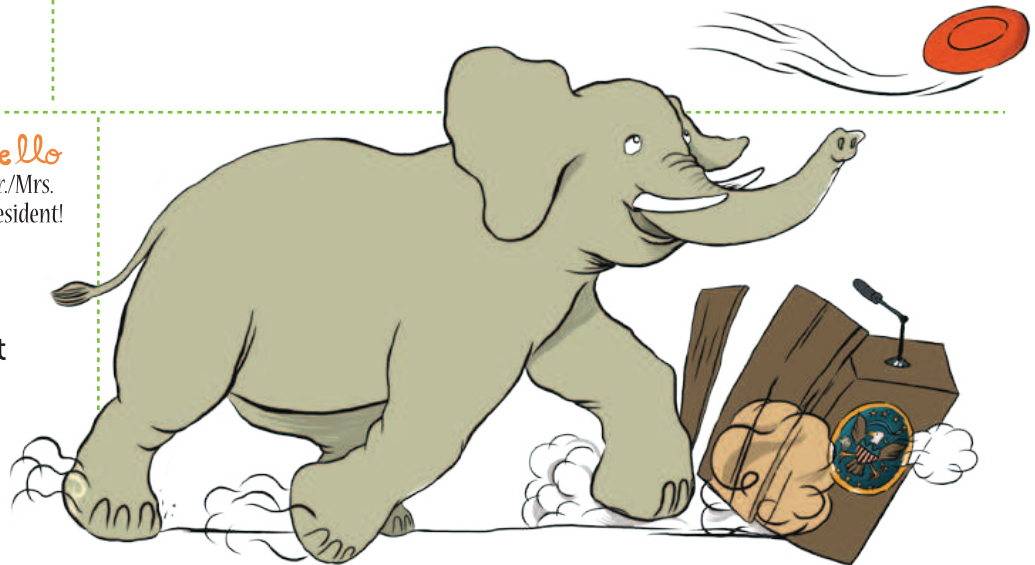
Explain your reasons for choosing the pet.



Snake



Parrot



Elephant

POLL RESULTS



The results are in! Alejandro conducted a survey to see how people feel about the issues you'll be speaking on during your next campaign. Out of 1,000 people, here is how voters felt about your beliefs:

We should spend more money on schools. All children should have access to great education.

AGREE: 689
DISAGREE: 311



example

We should begin working with scientists to create cleaner forms of energy. Our environment is becoming unhealthy.

AGREE: 495
DISAGREE: 505



We should start making health care more affordable to all citizens. Being well should be a right, not a privilege.

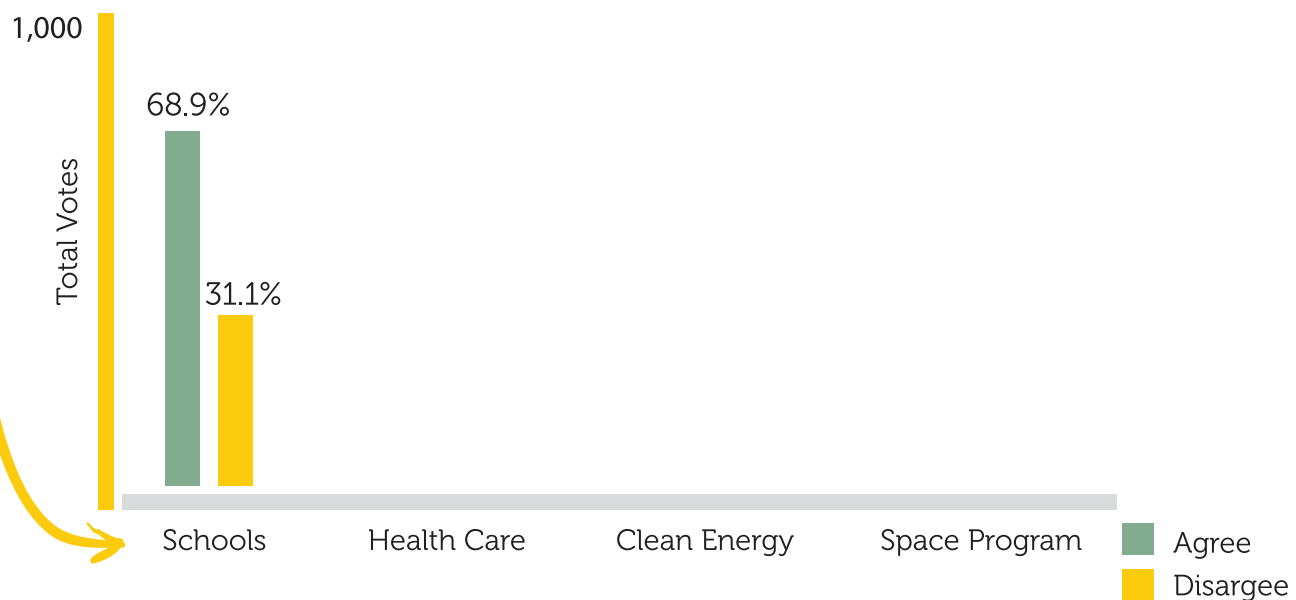
AGREE: 592
DISAGREE: 408



We should reinvest in our nation's space program. It will help create new jobs for our country.

AGREE: 211
DISAGREE: 798

Convert each total into a percentage. (Hint: Cross-multiplication works well here!)
Draw a bar graph of the votes below.



Overall, do you think the results are good or bad for your campaign?

Alejandro suggests that you choose only three issues to talk about. Which one do you think you should leave out?

SECRET SERVICE SPOT THE Difference

Every president needs protection. For over a hundred years, the Secret Service has made sure the president and his family are safe at all times. Now that you're president, you have your own agents assigned to protect you. These agents traditionally wear identical black suits and dark sunglasses, which can make them pretty hard to tell apart!

Can you spot the **10** differences between the uniforms of these two groups of Secret Service agents?



Group 1

Group 2

Bonus Activity: The Secret Service gives code names to every president and his family. What would you want your Secret Service code name to be? →

CAMPAIGN TOUR STOPS

When you get back from lunch, you see that your campaign manager has dropped this on your desk.

Here are the proposed destinations for your re-election campaign tour. We're probably going to have to cut five of these due to time constraints. Please get back to me with your picks in about 30 minutes.

Thanks, Alejandro

Circle the five cities you think you should eliminate, then write a note to Alejandro stating why you decided to cut them on the lines below.



SAN JOSE

PRO: You grew up in San Jose, so you're practically guaranteed a favorable response.

CON: It's not as well known as San Francisco, located 60 miles north.



LOS ANGELES

PRO: You have always been popular with different cultures, and Los Angeles is a very diverse city.

CON: The last time you were in Los Angeles, you tripped on a movie star's dress and knocked her over!



NEW YORK CITY

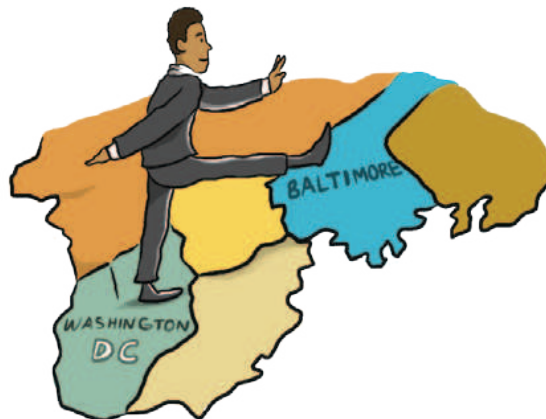
PRO: It's often considered the greatest city in America. Your tour would seem incomplete if you didn't stop there.

CON: New York City is dense—you may not be able to find a venue big enough to house your event.

BALTIMORE

PRO: It's close to DC. You wouldn't have to go very far. You could sleep in your own bed!

CON: Why bother? If you spoke in DC, Baltimore could come to you!



CHICAGO

PRO: It's the center of the Midwest and a major city for higher education, an issue you speak about often.

CON: The last time you were here, your press secretary talked you into eating a Chicago dog for a photo op. You made an entire speech without noticing you had a huge mustard stain on your shirt. You can't bear to show your face in Chicago again!



AUSTIN

PRO: It is well known that you play the guitar, and Austin is known for its music scene. There could be some great photo opportunities here.

CON: Austin has a different political climate than the rest of Texas. You're not quite as popular in the state in general.



BOSTON

PRO: The speech would write itself—Boston is where the American Revolution began, so it would be easy to compare your work as president to the work of other heroic Americans.

CON: Your opponent is the former mayor of Boston, so you're not quite as popular there.



LINCOLN

PRO: It would be good to make a stop in at least one not-quite-major city so suburban and rural voters don't feel left out!

CON: The population is much more sparse here than your other options. Stopping here may not be worth your time.

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2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

5. _____

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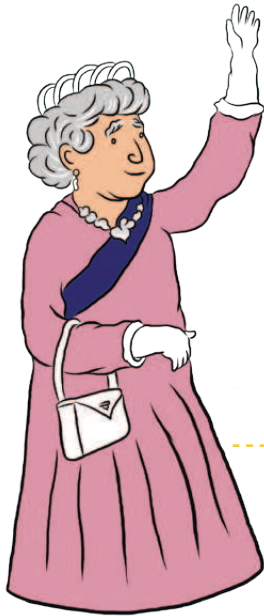
You need to meet with members of the press at 3 p.m. Managing a press conference isn't as easy as it looks on TV! You don't have time to answer everyone's questions, so choose four that you would like to answer and write your responses below. Remember: Reporters are recording EVERYTHING you say!

- 1 Families in St. Paul are struggling with homelessness due to the economy. How do you plan to assist them?
- 2 Wildfires are ravaging Southern California. Many citizens were evacuated from their homes last week and the governor has repeatedly asked the White House to send aid. When do you plan to do something about it, and what do you plan to do?
- 3 Though the economy appears to be recovering, unemployment is still at 8 percent. Do you have any solutions to combat this?
- 4 Many veterans are returning home from overseas and are having trouble finding work. Do you have any recommendations for them?
- 5 Many parents are concerned that the meals provided to children in public schools are not very healthy. What are your thoughts on how we can make school lunches healthy but still affordable?
- 6 Many working parents are having a hard time affording good health insurance for their families. Do you have any ideas on how to make health care both affordable and of good quality?

INTERNATIONAL

Etiquette

As president, you get to meet and eat with people from all over the world. It can be a lot of fun, but it's also a big responsibility—you're representing all of America by what you say and how you act. Take a look at the situations below and see if you could pass the international etiquette test.



The Queen of England has arrived at the White House! What should you do?

- a.) Give her a hearty pat on the back. That's how we say hi in America!
- b.) Blow a kiss.
- c.) Wait for her to approach you.

When arranging dinner with the president of Mexico, he suggests meeting at 8:30. You can't wait that long! What should you tell your assistant to do?

- a.) Recommend an earlier time.
- b.) Keep the appointment.
- c.) Compromise by meeting for coffee at 8.



The Italian Prime Minister wants to meet you at his favorite Italian restaurant in Rome. As soon as you get there, the waiter arrives with your favorite pizza. What do you do?

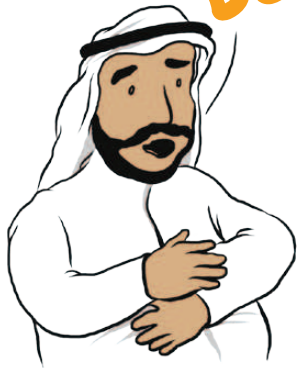
- a.) Grab a menu—you're actually in the mood for pasta, not pizza.
- b.) Ask for more cheese. You always ask for more cheese in America.
- c.) Take the offered pizza and eat it.



You're hosting a group of dignitaries from Japan this afternoon. When they arrive, they bow to you—how should you react?

- a.) Shake their hands.
- b.) Wave hello.
- c.) Return the bow.

BURP!!



On a trip to Saudi Arabia, you join one of the top businessmen in the country for dinner in a restaurant. After dessert, he lets out a huge burp! What should you do?

- a.) Tell him it's not polite.
- b.) Offer him an antacid.
- c.) Join in!

The King of Spain is staying at the White House while visiting. You want to take him on a tour of the city this afternoon, but when you go to get him, he's taking a nap in the Lincoln Bedroom! What should you do?

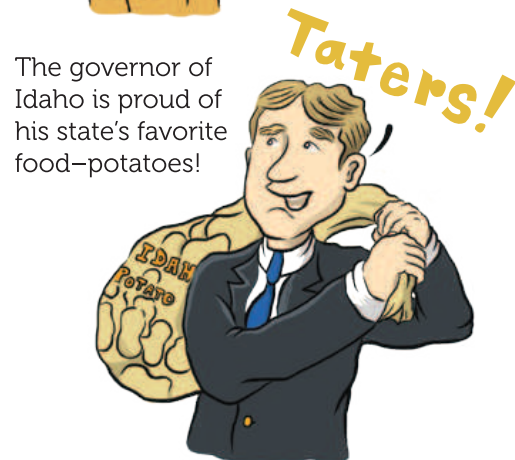
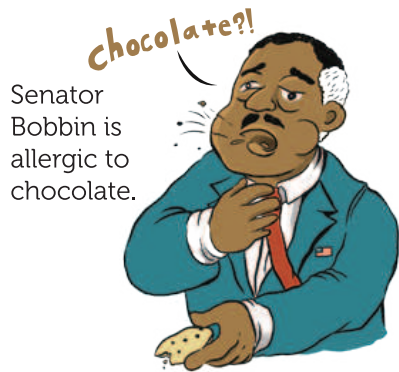
- a.) Leave him be—it's part of his culture.
- b.) Wake him up and tell him to get a move on!
- c.) Take a cue from him and retire to the Oval Office for a snooze.



WHITE HOUSE • Dinner •

The annual White House dinner this weekend, and you're in charge of approving the final menu! Though you'd to serve only your favorite foods, being president often involves trying to make everyone else happy as well.

Take a look at the notes Hayley has sent you about tonight's dinner guests.



Using one food from each column below, put together a menu that will make everyone happy!

Appetizers

- Spinach Dip
- Mini Corn Tostadas
- Onion Rings
- Stuffed Mushrooms

Salad

- Pasta Salad
- Caesar Salad
- Potato Salad
- Coleslaw

Main Course

- Meatloaf
- Mac and Cheese
- Chicken Pesto Pasta
- Black Bean Burgers

Dessert

- Chocolate Pie
- Crème Brulee
- Ice Cream
- Peach Cobbler

Final Menu

Appetizer

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Main Course

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Salad

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Dessert

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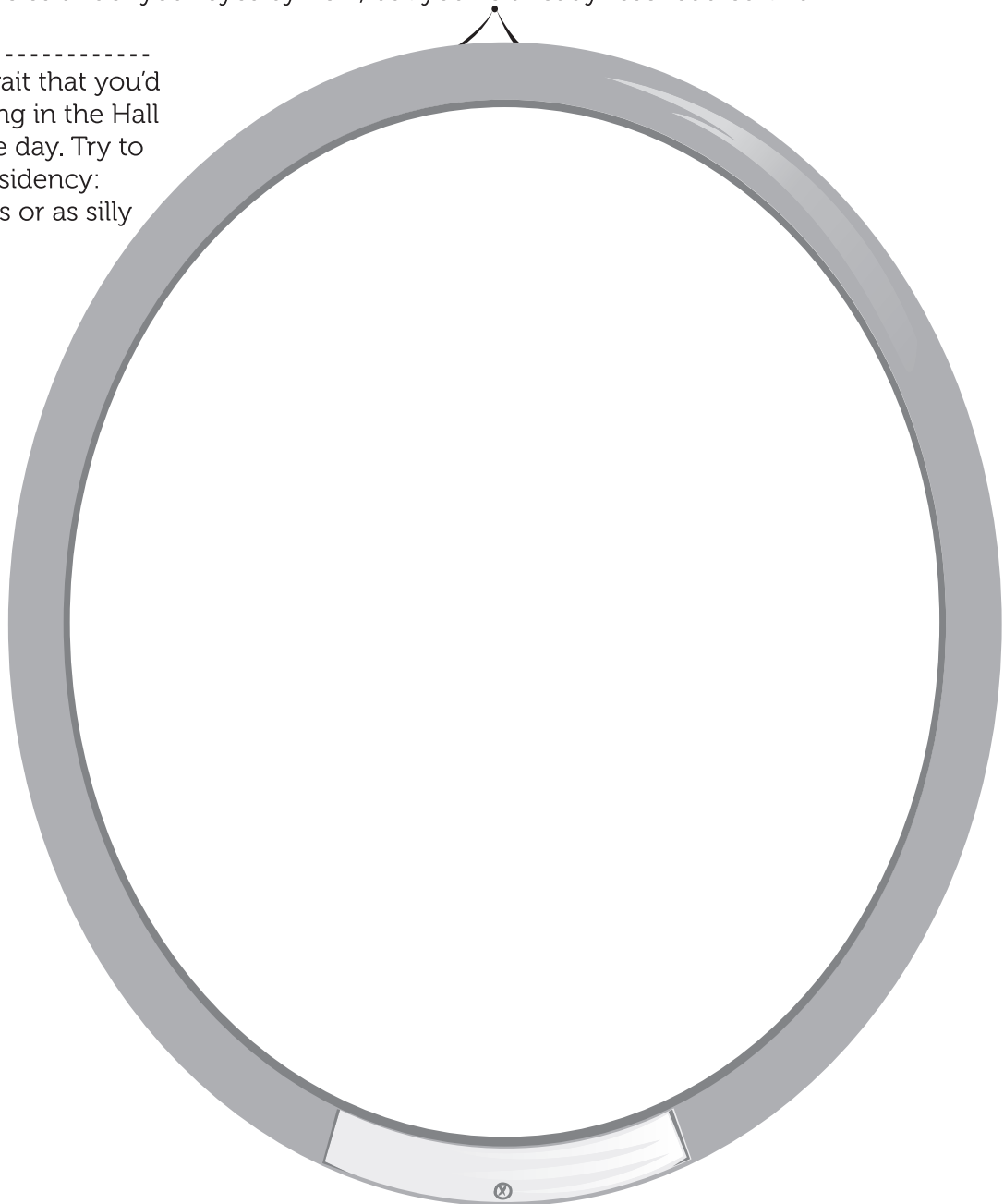
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PORTRAIT



Before you go to bed, you need to sit for your portrait. What a day! You're pretty sure you have dark circles under your eyes by now, but you've already rescheduled this sitting twice.

Draw a self-portrait that you'd like to see hanging in the Hall of Presidents one day. Try to sum up your presidency: Make it as serious or as silly as you'd like!



TOMORROW'S SCHEDULE

It's time to plan out your schedule for tomorrow. You have a mixture of things that you need to do, things that you should do, and things that you want to do. Unfortunately, there's just not enough time in the day to do everything! From the list below, pick nine activities and write them down in your schedule.

CONGRESS



Meet with Congress



Go to a basketball game



Play a video game



Talk on the phone to the British prime minister



Take a nap



Write a speech on the economy



Visit an elementary school



Play with your pet



Play mini-golf with your family



Eat lunch with your vice president



Watch your favorite television show



Meet with the Japanese ambassador



Approve four new laws



Give a television interview

Pick nine activities and write them down in your schedule.

9 AM

10 AM

11 AM

12 AM

1 PM

2 PM

3 PM

4 PM

5 PM



Attend a movie premiere

PRESIDENTIAL
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SEARCH



Every election year, presidential candidates make speeches, trying to stir up passion and support among voters. Certain words seem to pop up in these speeches year after year. Every candidate knows them, and you should too!

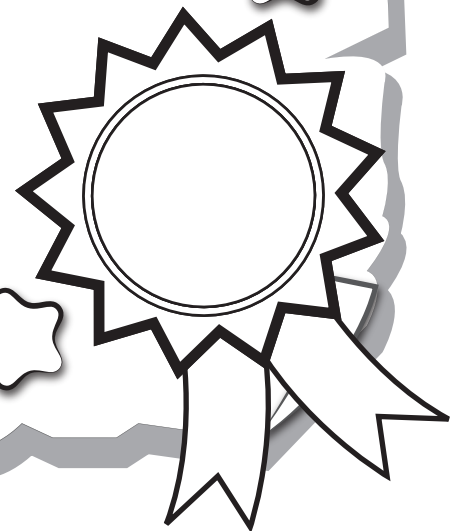
Below is just a sample of this vote-getting vocabulary. See if you can find these words in the word search!

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| Founding Fathers | Campaign | Goals | Stand |
| Increase | Together | American Dream | Party |
| Create | Support | Issues | Leadership |
| Freedom | Passion | Country | Ideals |

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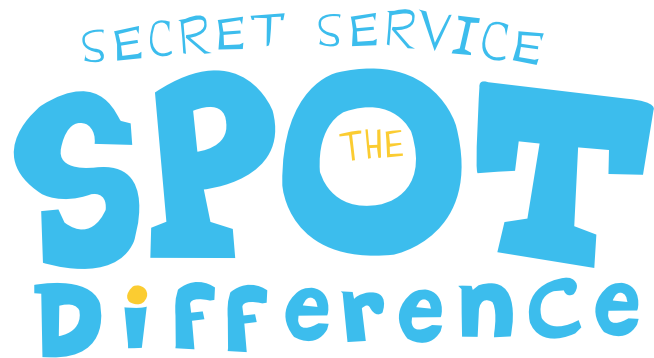
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Answer Sheet



Answer Key:

- 1.) Black ties vs striped ties.
- 2.) Suits in Group 1 have breast pockets.
- 3.) 2 gold suit buttons vs 3 silver suit buttons.
- 4.) Agents in Group 1 have cuffed pants.
- 5.) Single breasted suit vs double breasted suit.
- 6.) Round vs square sunglasses.
- 7.) Agents in Group 2 are wearing watches.
- 7.) Agents in Group 1 have American flag pins.
- 8.) Agents in Group 2 have gold star pins.
- 9.) Agents in Group 1 have headpieces, while the agents in Group 2 have walkie-talkies.

Answer Sheet



Answers:

C.) In most cultures, A and B are considered bold moves!

B.) In Mexico and many other Spanish-speaking countries, dinner is a meal that begins much later than in America.

C.) Italians are offended by people asking for more cheese or ordering something else from the menu. It's as if you're telling the chef that what he made wasn't good enough.

C.) Bowing is a sign of respect in many Asian cultures.

C.) In some countries, belching after a meal is considered a sign that you've enjoyed your food!

A.) or C.) The "siesta," or a short nap in the middle of the day, is a tradition in many European cultures.

Answer Sheet

Answers

Founding Fathers
Increase
Create
Freedom

Campaign
Together
Support
Passion

Goals
American Dream
Issues
Country

Stand
Party
Leadership
Ideals

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