Going for the Silver Medal: Choosing a Vice President

Facilitation Grid -- Concepts

	Define the roles of both the president and vice-president per the Constitution	Discuss major principles of the Constitution, including: shared powers; checks and balances; separation of church and state; federalism	Describe the role of political parties in the American democratic system including: candidates; campaigns; financing; primary elections; voting systems; platforms	Differentiate between power and authority	List characteristics of leadership on local and national levels	Identify and describe the articles of the Constitution pertaining to the executive branch	Describe how the U.S. government is organized, including the 6 top political positions in relation to the presidency	Describe the respective roles of each of the three branches of federal and state	Describe the impact of each government branch in national decision making	Identify the major characteristics of democratic government and republics	Explain the importance of rights and responsibilities of citizens and politicians (according to the Constitution as well as personal perspectives)

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