Political Dictionary

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Practicing the Vocabulary

**Matching** Choose a term from the list below that best matches each description.

1. The group chosen every four years to make the formal selection of the President and Vice President.
2. The role in which the President exercises leadership over his or her political party.
3. The role in which the President acts as the main architect of the nation’s public policies.
4. An election at which a party’s voters choose delegates to the party’s national convention and/or express a preference for candidates for the party’s nomination.
5. The people entitled to vote in a given election.

**Word Recognition** Replace the underlined definition with the correct term from the list above.

- In the past, some presidential primaries were conducted in which the winner of the primary vote won the support of most of the voters.
- The term used to describe the process of selecting the candidate for the party’s nomination.
- The act of selecting the candidate for the party’s nomination.
- The process by which voters express their preference for candidates.
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Reviewing Main Ideas

**Section 1**

11. Explain the significance of each of the following presidential roles: chief executive, chief diplomat, commander in chief.
12. (a) What was the origin of the three-term tradition? (b) Which President broke with this tradition? (c) What is the maximum number of terms a President may serve?
13. Why do some critics want the 22nd Amendment repealed?

**Section 2**

14. How does the Constitution ensure a smooth transition of power in the event of a presidential disability?
15. Explain how the Constitution and the Presidential Succession Act of 1947 address the issue of presidential succession.
16. (a) What does the Constitution say about the vice presidency? (b) What effect have recent vice presidents had on the stature of the office?

**Critical Thinking Skills**

25. **Applying the Chapter Skill** "Leadership," said Dwight Eisenhower consists of "getting someone else to do what you want them to do because he wants to do it." Which of the qualifications of a leader described on page 316 do you think the President should possess?
26. **Distinguishing False from Accurate Images** The following qualifier from John Adams appears earlier in this chapter. "I am Vice President. In this I am nothing, but I may be everything." (a) Explain what Adams meant. (b) Do you think that a modern Vice President would agree with Adams?
27. **Identifying Alternatives** Review the formal qualifications for President in Section 1. (a) Why do you think the Framers chose those particular qualifications? (b) Do you think that any of these qualifications should be changed?
28. **Understanding Point of View** Why do you think that neither major party has, at least to this point, nominated a woman or member of a minority group as its presidential candidate?

**Analyzing Political Cartoons**

Using your knowledge of American government and this cartoon, answer the questions below.

- "Hi there, I’m governor of a large state somewhere west, and I’m running for President.
- "Why is it significant that the candidate in the cartoon is a governor of a large western state?
- "How accurate is the cartoon in portraying the qualifications necessary for a presidential candidate?"