## **Political Parties & Elections Homework Questions**

- 1. Why is the selection of a campaign manager so important?
- 2. What are the rules regarding campaign finance as they stand right now?
- 3. What type of voter would you describe yourself as and why?
- 4. Evaluate the basic requirements for voting.
- 5. Evaluate how someone can become a U.S. citizen.
- 6. Why do you believe that many people choose not to vote?
- 7. What do you believe would be the most effective to increase voter turnout and why?
- 8. What methods have been developed to get voters more directly involved in our democracy?
- 9. Why are political parties necessary? How do they improve democracy?
- 10. What is an opposition party? What is its function?
- 11. Why do political parties have to be grass roots organizations?
- 12. How does patronage assist political parties?
- 13. Why do we only have two major political parties in the U.S.?
- 14. What is the role of third parties?
- 15. Why don't third party candidates often succeed?
- 16. What do you feel is the best nomination method for candidates and why?
- 17. What is the significance of the keynote speaker at the national convention?
- 18. What is a party platform and why is it significant?
- 19. How are vice-presidents selected and what do candidates look for in a Vice President?
- 20. How does a candidate get elected President? What happens if there is no majority?