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**Civics Definition Depot – Chapters 10, 11, & 12:**

**Voting, Elections, Political Parties & Influencing Government**

*Directions: Use the internet or your textbook to define the words below. Then, use a thesaurus, your brain, or help from a parent to identify a synonym for each term* ***OR*** *write a sentence using the term that demonstrates your understanding of the word* ***OR*** *provide an illustration that shows that you understand the meaning of the term.*

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| **Word/Pg. #** | **Definition** | **Sentence, Synonym, or Illustration** |
| **Political Party****p. 286** |  | http://cdn.playbuzz.com/cdn/6adc47f7-6d7a-4dbe-8800-6907469c53c7/45004250-8e21-4983-8880-8b3386418a84.jpeghttp://cdn.playbuzz.com/cdn/6adc47f7-6d7a-4dbe-8800-6907469c53c7/45004250-8e21-4983-8880-8b3386418a84.jpeghttp://cdn.playbuzz.com/cdn/6adc47f7-6d7a-4dbe-8800-6907469c53c7/45004250-8e21-4983-8880-8b3386418a84.jpeghttp://cdn.playbuzz.com/cdn/6adc47f7-6d7a-4dbe-8800-6907469c53c7/45004250-8e21-4983-8880-8b3386418a84.jpeg |
| **Platform****p. 291** |  |  |
| **Democratic Party****p. 291** |  |  |
| **Republican Party****p. 291** |  |  |
| **Libertarian Party** | The third largest political party in the United States; The Libertarian Party favors an extremely limited role of government in the lives of the citizens.  |  |
| **Socialist Party** | A political party in the United States; The Socialist Party favors government ownership and allocation of resources. |  |
| **Communist Party** | A political party that believes the government should make all economic decisions in order to ensure economic equality for all people. |  |
| **Candidate** |  |  |
| **Political debate** | A forum for political candidates to formally argue political positions |  |
| **Interest group****p. 330** |  |  |
| **Lobbyist****p. 344** |  |  |
| **Political action committee****p. 321** |  | http://www.sprinklerfitters669.org/App_Themes/Default/images/pac.jpg |
| **Mass media****p. 330** |  |  |
| **Watchdog** | One who serves as a guardian or protector against waste, loss, or illegal practices  |  |
| **Bias** | An unfair act or policy stemming from prejudice  |  |
| **Symbolism** | A symbolic meaning or representation  |  |
| **Propaganda****p. 345** |  |  |
| **Direct Primary** **p. 295** |  |  |
| **General election****p. 316** |  |  |
| ***Bush v. Gore*** | George Bush won the election in the year 2000 with 271-266 electoral votes, but still lost the popular vote by 500,000. The Supreme Court would not allow Gore to conduct a recount because the court said it was inconsistent and violated the Constitution. | http://www.2000presidentialelection.com/wp-content/uploads/2012/10/2000-presidential-election-Bush-vs-Gore.jpg |