

Presidential Decision

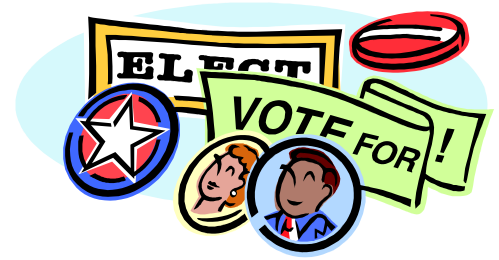
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Place a to the left of each completed item. Put ALL assignments in order before submittal.

GRADE/COMPLETED/ASSIGNMENT

Introductory Activities

- _____ KWL: *Candidates, Issues & Persuasive Techniques*
- _____ Activity: *Persuasion is all Around You*
- _____ Activity: *Persuasive Strategy Definitions*
- _____ Activity: *Check the Strategies*
- _____ Word Puzzle: *Elections*
- _____ Video Notes Page: *LA - Viewing*
- _____ Notes: *Sam vs. Herb Vocabulary*
- _____ Vocabulary: *Sam vs. Herb Cartoon*
- _____ Crossword: *Vocabulary University Elections*



Reading Activities

- X 3 _____ Poster: *Political Parts of Speech* * See Rubric ** Group
- _____ Teen Biz 3000: *Who is Barack Obama?* *
- _____ Teen Biz 3000: *Who is John McCain?* *
- _____ Teen Biz 3000: *What's Wrong with Email Voting?*
- _____ Teen Biz 3000: *More Voting Troubles* *
- _____ Reading: *Democracy and Freedom*
- _____ Reading: *The Leader*
- _____ Notes/Research: *Political Issues (Handwritten w/ sources)*

Teen Biz 3000 Articles:

The following articles about some of the 2008 Presidential Campaign issues are available.

- Energy
- The Economy
- The Environment
- Education

**** Group Members:**

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Writing Activities

- _____ Activity: *Freedom to Vote*
- _____ Activity: *Issues*
- _____ Venn Diagram: *Candidate Comparison*
- _____ Teen Biz 3000: *Two Candidates for President*

GPS(s):

- ELAW1 Persuasive Writing
- ELAW2 Speech Writing
- ELAC1 Conventions
- ELALSV1 Listening
- ELALSV2 Speaking

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Writing Prompt * See Prompt on Back

- _____ Plan/Outline: *Persuasive Writing*
- _____ Rough Draft: *If I Were Running for President...*

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- _____ Peer-Editing Checklist: *If I Were Running for President...*
- _____ Final Draft: *If I Were Running for President...*

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Performance Task * See Assessment Grid on Back

- X 5 _____ **Choice # 1:** _____
- X 5 _____ **Choice # 2:** _____
- X 5 _____ **Choice # 3:** _____
- X 5 _____ **Choice # 4:** _____



AVERAGE

Due: _____

All unit assignments and checklists are available on the class website: www.geocities.com/ms_hall_bms

Writing Prompt:

Writing Situation: Many issues play an important role in Presidential Campaigns. Think of the issues that are the focus of the 2008 campaign. Decide which three issues are most important to you.

Directions for Writing: Write a speech as if you were a political candidate (running for President) persuading the public to vote for you. You must state a clear position on three current issues with relevant support and evidence. Information must be in your own words and you must incorporate a minimum of two persuasive techniques discussed in class.

Requirements: * Min. 500 words * Typed (double-spaced) * References Page

Presidential Decision Assessment Grid – 8th Grade

<p>1. Create a persuasive PowerPoint about a political issue (i.e. education, healthcare, or the economy).</p> <p>20 slides _____/20 Effort _____/20 Accurate Info _____/20 Persuasive Techniques _____/20 Conventions _____/20</p>	<p>2. Create a 3-minute News Report about a significant political issue. The report should reflect a current issue.</p> <p>Effort _____/25 Creativity _____/25 Accurate Info _____/25 Persuasive Techniques _____/25</p>	<p>3. Create a Game about Presidential elections and the use of persuasion techniques.</p> <p>Accurate Facts _____/20 Rules _____/20 Creativity _____/20 Conventions _____/20 Effort _____/20</p>
<p>4. Create a Brochure advertising the positive OR the negative aspects of a current political issue.</p> <p>Accurate Facts _____/20 Images _____/20 Persuasive Techniques _____/20 Effort _____/20 Conventions _____/20</p>	<p>5. Make a political issue Truth and Fiction Chart. Based on research, list 10 beliefs that are true and 10 beliefs that are false.</p> <p>Accurate Info _____/25 Sources _____/25 Effort _____/25 Conventions _____/25</p>	<p>6. Draw a Comic Strip highlighting an important political issue related to the Presidential election. Make sure the dialogue and information are relevant.</p> <p>6 Panels/Neatness _____/20 Appropriate Dialogue _____/20 Accurate Info _____/20 Conventions _____/20 Effort _____/20</p>
<p>7. Create a Scrapbook of articles about the 2008 Presidential Election. Write a 3-paragraph summary for each.</p> <p>8 Election Articles _____/25 8 Article Summaries _____/25 Pictures/Images _____/25 Persuasive Techniques _____/25</p>	<p>8. Design a Poster (using a persuasive technique) to encourage citizens to vote in the 2008 Presidential election.</p> <p>Accurate Info _____/25 Images _____/25 Uses persuasive language _____/25 Conventions _____/25</p>	<p>9. Create Trivia Questions about persuasive techniques and the use of the media. Write your questions and answers on index cards or use a Power Point template.</p> <p>25 Questions/Answers _____/25 Accurate Info _____/25 Conventions _____/25 Effort _____/25</p>
<p>10. Create and record a Song about the importance of voting in the Presidential election.</p> <p>Accurate Info _____/25 Creativity _____/25 Uses persuasive language _____/25 Effort _____/25</p>	<p>11. Create a Video/Podcast (using persuasive techniques) to encourage citizens to vote in the 2008 Presidential election.</p> <p>Accurate Info _____/25 Images _____/25 Uses Persuasive Techniques _____/25 Conventions _____/25</p>	<p>12. Create an Interview with one of the Presidential candidates, regarding their positions on the campaign issues.</p> <p>20 Questions/Answers _____/25 Accurate Info _____/25 Conventions _____/25 Effort _____/25</p>

I choose Activities # _____, # _____, # _____, and # _____.