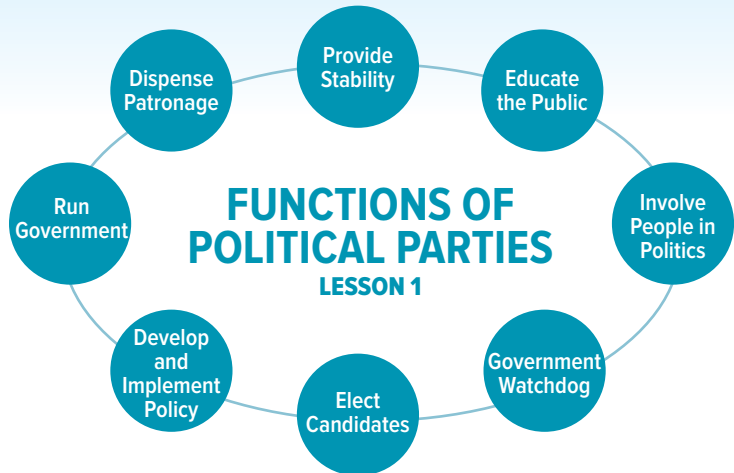


# STUDY GUIDE

## PARTY SYSTEMS LESSON 1

One-Party System	Two-Party System	Multi-Party System
authoritarian governments: Cuba, Vietnam, North Korea, China	about a dozen nations, including the United States	coalition governments: most nations, including France



## COMPARISON OF MAJOR PARTIES LESSON 2

Democratic Party
<b>Ideology</b>
More liberal
<b>Platform</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Larger government role in providing social services</li> <li>• Favor government regulations to protect consumers</li> <li>• Favor increase in minimum wage</li> <li>• Support unions, including public employee unions</li> <li>• View climate change as a threat; support fuel efficiency standards and carbon pollution limits</li> <li>• Prefer limits on resource extraction from public lands</li> <li>• Less likely to support military involvement in conflicts</li> <li>• Support the United Nations</li> </ul>
<b>Demographics</b>
women, minorities, young people, working class and middle/upper middle class in about even proportions, strongly supported in Northeast

Republican Party
<b>Ideology</b>
More conservative
<b>Platform</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Favor smaller government role in providing social services</li> <li>• Less government regulation</li> <li>• Favor lower taxes</li> <li>• Support restrictions on public employee unions</li> <li>• Oppose “cap and trade” to reduce greenhouse gases</li> <li>• Free market should drive choices about energy use</li> <li>• Promote coal, oil, and gas extraction on public lands</li> <li>• Increased military spending</li> <li>• Reduced reliance on the United Nations</li> </ul>
<b>Demographics</b>
white, men, religious, more middle/upper middle class than working class, strongly supported in South and mountain West

## SELECTING CANDIDATES TO RUN FOR OFFICE LESSON 3

<b>Petition</b>	Candidates collect enough signatures to get on ballot
<b>Caucuses</b>	Candidates selected in series of meetings open to all party members
<b>Nominating Conventions</b>	Party representatives select candidates at county, state, and national conventions
<b>Direct Primary</b>	<b>Closed:</b> Election open to only the party members <b>Open:</b> Election open to all, regardless of party
<b>Presidential Primary</b>	<b>Binding:</b> Convention delegates must vote according to primary results <b>Nonbinding:</b> Convention delegates may vote as they wish <b>Winner-take-all:</b> Winner gets all the state’s convention delegates <b>Proportional:</b> Each candidate gets convention delegates based on percentage of votes received
<b>National Party Convention</b>	State delegates select candidates for president and vice president