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# POLITICAL PARTY ACROSTICS

# **O**VERVIEW

Students will identify characteristics and major political figures in the two main political parties in the United States.

# **PROCEDURE**

- **1.** Distribute the handout "Political Party Acrostics," and review with students the directions for completing the activity.
- **2.** Students' responses to this activity will vary widely. Be sure that the words and names listed accurately refer to each party.

# SIMULATIONS AND CASE STUDIES

## **PLANNING**

• Time recommended: 30 minutes

### **OBJECTIVES**

- Identify characteristics of the two main political parties in the United States
- Recognize major political figures in the two main political parties in the United States

# **MATERIALS**

- Student Handout: "Political Party Acrostics"
- Dictionaries

# POLITICAL PARTY ACROSTICS

**DIRECTIONS:** Fill in the blank next to each letter with a word that describes the Democratic and Republican Parties. You may also write the last name of a major political figure in one of the parties. The words and names should begin with the letter listed before the blank. For example, in the sixth blank in the second column that begins with the letter "L," you might write "INCOLN" to form the name "LINCOLN," who was a major political figure in the Republican Party.

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