Political Parties ~ Crash Course Gov't & Politics ~ #40

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Directions: As you watch the video, answer the following questions in the space provided.

1. Define "political party."

2. Give three reasons why we have political parties:

3. What are the five main functions of political parties?

4. What is the difference between a "closed primary" and an "open primary"? What is the one danger of an "open primary"?

5. What percentage of the electorate votes in primary elections?

6. Describe some of the methods used by political parties to "get-out-the-vote."

7. What is meant by the parties giving voters a "brand" to choose from?

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Party Systems ~ Crash Course Gov't & Politics ~ #41

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1. In 1796, the first two political parties emerged. What were they called?

2. What did Andrew Jackson call the outcome of the Presidential Election of 1824?

3. After Jackson was elected president in 1828, what new political party emerged to challenge him and his fellow "Democrats"?

4. In 1840, William Henry Harrison became the first Whig to win the presidency. What was his campaign slogan?

5. In the years following the Civil War, people who were from the North and pro-business tended to

support the _____ party.

6. In the years following the Civil War, people from southern states along with northern immigrant

groups tended to support the _____ party.

7. In the late 1800s, the Populist Party emerged. What were their concerns? What happened to many Populist ideas?

8. Oftentimes, what happens to the ideas of 3rd parties?

9. How did the New Deal Coalition change the makeup of the Democratic Party?

10. Describe the most recent party re-alignment (post-1968).