



Louisiana: Our History, Our Home

Chapter 4: Louisiana's Government - Section 4: Citizens and Government

Guided Reading

Instructions: Read the section and complete each item with words from the passages in this section.

1. In a democratic system, all citizens have both _____ and _____.
2. Civic responsibilities include obeying _____, paying _____, and serving on a _____ when called to do so.
3. Louisiana voters must live in the _____ where they register to vote.
4. Statewide _____ in Louisiana are held in two stages.
5. In an _____, all of the candidates, no matter what political party they represent, compete in the first (or primary) election.
6. The two _____ who receive the most votes in the primary election advance to a runoff election. Whoever finishes the _____ with the most votes wins the election.
7. _____ are organizations of people who come together because they have similar ideas about how government should operate.
8. The major parties today are the _____ and _____ Parties.
9. Historically, people in Louisiana have often voted on the basis of local _____ or _____ rather than on the basis of party affiliation.
10. Candidates for office organize a _____ to attract voters.
11. Today, most voters gain knowledge about candidates through _____ or other media sources like _____, _____, and the _____.
12. _____ is an important part of the modern campaign process.

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13. Critics worry that this emphasis on fund-raising _____ candidates with fewer resources.

14. Every citizen has the potential to _____ (attempt to influence _____ about issues).

15. People who disagree about issues sometimes accuse their opponents of creating _____ (information spread widely in order to _____ or _____ a particular proposal or political point of view).