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8.01 Democrats v. Republicans

**Read and study the two major political parties using the content and websites provided in the lesson.**

## I. Examine and record the views of each party on the following topics.

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| Topic/Issue | **Republican Party** | **Democratic Party** |
| 1. National Defense/   National Security |  |  |
| 1. Education |  |  |
| 1. Economy |  |  |
| 1. Health Care |  |  |
| 1. Environment |  |  |

## II. Complete the following questions about each major party.

1. What areas of the country are strongholds for the Republican Party?

1. What areas of the country are strongholds for the Democratic Party?

1. Describe at least three demographic characteristics of a person more likely to vote Republican.

1. Describe at least three demographic characteristics of a person more likely to vote Democrat.

1. Explain the role of the party leadership at the national level for the two major parties.