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SECTION 1

CORE WORKSHEET

Parties and What They Do

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Party Functions

Read below about an action taken by a political party member. Then write the party function being performed. Choose from this list: (1) nominating candidates; (2) informing and activating supporters; (3) bonding agent; (4) watchdog; (5) governing.

Action	Party Function
1. Republican John Sununu served in the House of Representatives and had a distinguished career. The national party asked him to run for the Senate. Sununu agreed.	Bonding Agent
2. John McCain won the New York Republican primary in the winter of 2008.	nominating candidates
3. The Republican Party revises its Web site regularly.	informing/activating supporters
4. The Democrats won control of the House of Representatives. This meant a Democrat would become chairperson of the Armed Services Committee. That job goes to the person who has served longest on the committee.	governing
5. The Armed Services Committee reviewed the defense budget. The ranking Republican on the committee did not like one budget item. At that time, the Democrats controlled the House of Representatives.	watchdog
6. A senator was caught in a scandal. So leaders of the senator's party pressured him to resign.	Bonding Agent
7. Jimmy Carter made his acceptance speech. It was before the Democratic National Convention in 1980.	nominating candidates
8. The Democratic Party ordered 1 million bumper stickers printed for a presidential election.	informing/activating supporters
9. When George W. Bush was elected President, he appointed members of his party to his Cabinet.	governing
10. After World War I, Democratic President Wilson negotiated the Versailles Treaty. Senate Republicans did not like the treaty and opposed it.	watchdog