

# Presidency Introduction



**STUDENTS WILL BE ABLE TO DESCRIBE THE  
QUALIFICATIONS AND ROLES OF THE  
PRESIDENT.**

# Presidential Character



- What qualities do you like to see in a president?
- What makes a good president?



# Presidential Paradoxes



- We often have contradictory expectations of the President.



# Paradox



- A self-contradictory statement. Two ideas held together, that can't both be true.
- Can you think of examples for the President?

# Paradoxes



We want our President to be:

- Powerful
  - ....but we fear abuse of power
- Relatable (“like us”; a regular guy)
  - ...but also extraordinary, smart, and special
- Visionary and creative, willing to shake things up
  - ....but change makes us uncomfortable – don’t change the things I like.
- Above politics (“nonpartisan”)
  - but a masterful politician, great at working with Congress and helping the party



# Presidency I



**REQUIREMENTS**  
**PERKS**  
**PRESIDENTIAL ROLES**

# Terms & Requirements



- 4 year term
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Amendment – only two terms
- 10 years maximum
  
- Where are the requirements for the Presidency found?
  
- How many requirements do you already know?



# Requirements



- Article II of the Constitution
  - 35 years old
  - Natural born citizen
  - 14 years residency
  - Elected by majority of electoral college
    - ✦ How many votes is that? Why?
  
- Are there informal requirements?

# Perks



- \$400,000 Salary
- \$50,000 expense account
- White House
- Camp David
- Chef
- Transportation (Air Force One, Helicopters, Limo)
- Secret Service Protection
- Healthcare

# Air Force One



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DD7QuVB3Grk>

# Like a Boss



# The Beast



- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YeSPICRcpds>



2017 upgrade: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FLUzYMDh9dQ>

# Camp David



- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OiMHhmXnKhE>



# Bowling Alley!



# Do you want to be president?

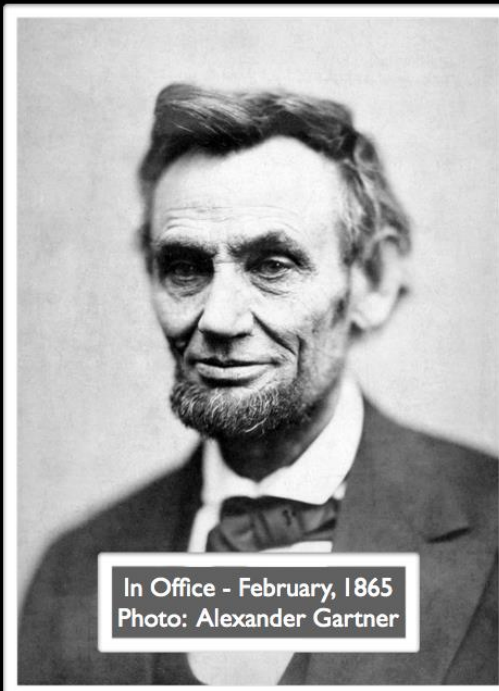
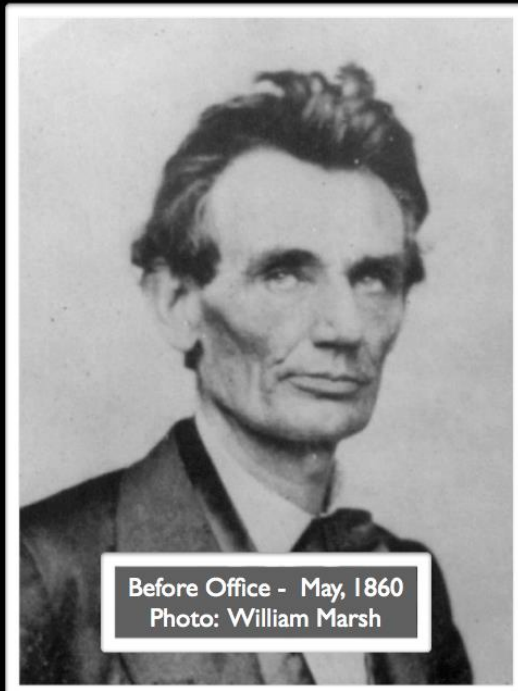




# What about



- 90 hour work week
- These before and after images...



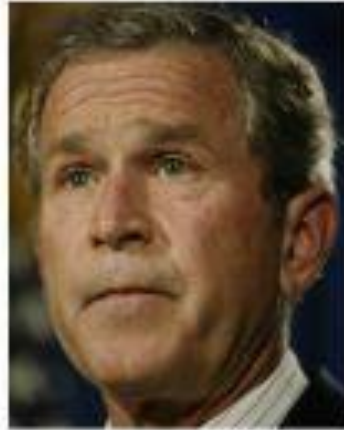
# Obama



# Bush



2001



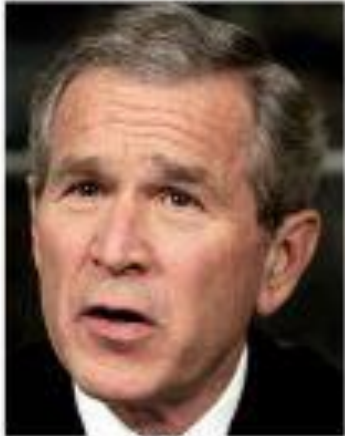
2002



2003



2004



2005



2006



2007



2008

9-11



# Zero Dark Thirty



# Tough Decisions



- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ogUDnIuvZdQ>
- What would happen if the mission failed?
- What if Obama missed an opportunity?





# President's Roles



- Chief of State
- Chief Executive
- Guardian of the Economy
- Chief Diplomat
- Commander-in-Chief
- Chief Legislator
- Chief of Party
- Chief Citizen



# Chief Guardian of the Economy



- Helps make sure the economy runs smoothly



# Commander in Chief



- Directs military



# Chief Legislator



- Sets public policy agenda
- Inaugural Address
- State of the Union Address
  - (required by the Constitution)



# Chief Executive



- Executes the laws
- Directs the Federal Bureaucracy (like the CEO of a company)



# Chief Citizen



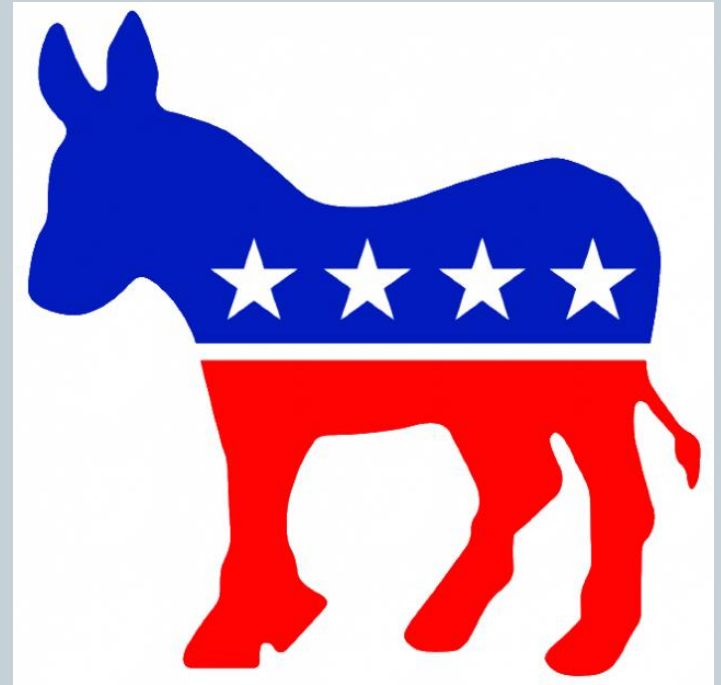
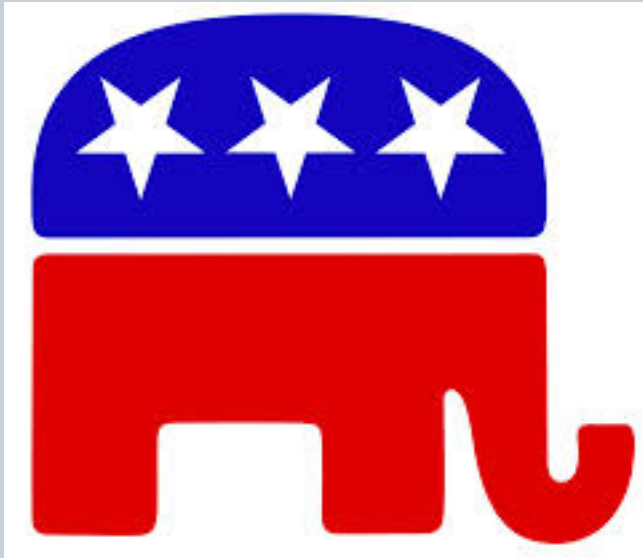
- Celebrates with nation. Mourns with nation. Represents interest of all the people.



# Chief of Party



- Leads the Democratic or Republican parties.



# Chief Diplomat



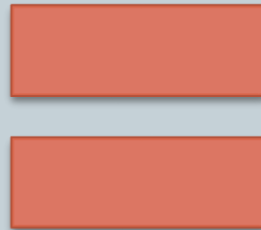
- Main architect of US Foreign Policy



# Chief of State



- Symbolic leader of US. Represents US overseas.  
Head of Government





# SOTU



- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qQIrGJcogiw>
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oua5Xo7FHDg>
- **Response**
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ostiHQv6yJQ>