**Unit 2: Linkage Institutions (Parties, Interest Groups, Media)**

**Topic 1: Political Parties -- Third Parties**

**What are “third parties” and why don’t they ever win elections?**

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| With your group, brainstorm as many third parties as you can (current or historical): |

**Four types of minor parties in the U.S.:**

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**What are the two major roles that third (or minor) parties play in American politics?**

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**The Big Three Minor Parties (read the article and take notes on their platforms)**

**Political Party Mini-Project**

**Notes and Brainstorming Page**

1. NAME for the party
2. SYMBOL for the party
3. SLOGAN for the party
4. At least one related VISUAL (in addition to the symbol)
5. Where your party stands on FIVE ISSUES

**By the end of class, create a flyer or poster**