

# Ch. 10 and 11 Short Answer A

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1. Identify the three branches of government and their main function. **(5 pts)**

Branch	Main Function

2. \_\_\_\_\_ are private organizations made up of people with shared beliefs, who unite in order to apply pressure to public officials with the hope of influencing policy. **(2 pts)**

3. Term meaning the right to vote. **(2 pts)**

4. Identify the process by which people gain their political attitudes and opinions. It begins in early childhood and continues throughout life. **(2 pts)**

5. The issues and events that concern the people at large. Examples include education, immigration, and health care. **(2 pts)**

6. \_\_\_\_\_ is defined as those activities by which group pressures are brought to bear on legislators and the legislative process. **(2 pts)**

7. Identify the three numbers in reference to the Electoral College: **(4 pts)**

- a. Minimum number of electoral votes a State can have –
- b. Total number of electoral votes –
- a. Amount of electoral votes needed to win the election -

8. Presidential candidates are officially nominated by their political parties at the \_\_\_\_\_. This event signals an end to the race for the party nomination and the start of the campaign against the candidate from the other party. **(2 pts)**

9. Which of the five functions of political parties separates them from all other groups involved in politics? Hint, it’s their primary function. **(2 pts)**

10. Identify the political party system where several major and many lesser parties seriously compete for and win public office. **(2pts)**

11. Presidential electors who do not cast their vote in line with the State’s popular vote are called \_\_\_\_\_. **(2 pts)**

12. A Lawmaker who owes his/her first allegiance to his/her political party and votes according to the party line is said to be \_\_\_\_\_. **(2 pts)**

13. A \_\_\_\_\_ is when a candidate receives more votes than any other but does not receive a majority. **(2 pts)**