

**CHAPTER**  
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Section 1 Guided Reading and Review  
**Parties and What They Do**

**A. As You Read**

As you read Section 1, write the correct answers in the blanks provided on the chart below.

<b>Functions of Political Parties</b>		
<b>Function</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Explanation</b>
1. _____	selecting candidates	The activity that sets political parties apart from other political groups
Informing and activating supporters	Inform people and activate their interests in public affairs.	Parties share this function with 2. _____ and 3. _____ groups.
Bonding agent	Tries to choose candidates who are 4. _____ and of good character.	After candidates are elected, the party prods them to do well or suffer in the next 5. _____
Governing	Helps 6. _____ and executive branches work together.	Most appointments to executive branch are made on basis of 7. _____, or allegiance to a political party.
8. _____	Party that is 9. _____ criticizes the party that controls the government.	The loyal opposition urges votes to 10. _____

**B. Reviewing Key Terms**

Complete each sentence by writing the correct term in the blank provided.

11. All \_\_\_\_\_ can be defined as groups of persons who join together because they want to gain control of the government through winning elections.
12. Allegiance to a political party is known as \_\_\_\_\_.
13. In the United States, the major \_\_\_\_\_ are the Democrats and the Republicans.
14. The party that controls the executive branch is known as the \_\_\_\_\_.