

Civics & Economics Project #2
Assigned – Monday, October 18, 2021
Due – Friday, November 12, 2021

Election Data Choose **ONE** of the following National Election's from the start of the 20th Century:
1900, 1904, 1908, 1912, 1916, 1920, 1924, 1928, 1932, 1936, 1940, 1944, 1948, 1952, 1956

Choose **ONE** of the following National Elections from the 2nd Half of the 20th Century & Start of the 21st Century: 1960, 1964, 1968, 1972, 1976, 1980, 1984, 1988, 1992, 1996, 2000, 2004, 2008, 2012, 2016 or 2020

For Each Election:

1. Who were the presidential candidates (there maybe more than two)
2. How much money did they each spend on the election?
3. What were the major issues of the campaign (at least 3)
4. Who won the election and what the electoral college count?
5. Did the party of the newly elected president win the House of Representatives?
6. Did the party of the newly elected president win the Senate?

Compare Elections: Once you have broken down each election compare the two elections that you looked at:

1. How did the electoral map change from one election to the other in terms of which states voted for which political party?
2. Why did these states change (if they did) or why did they stay the same?
 - a. Economic? b. Social? c. Parties Change Platforms?
3. How much did the spending on each election change? Find the numbers based on inflation over time to get a better comparison – see below...inflation calculator
4. How did the House & Senate Change and why?

Some Resources:

- For help with electoral maps use – www.270towin.com
- There are a few inflation calculators found online that you can use to help compare money spent.
- History Channel - <http://www.history.com/topics/us-presidents/presidential-elections>
- History Central - <http://www.historycentral.com/elections/>
- If you need help SEE Me – don't wait till the last minute Grade Information:

What you are handing in:

Title Page – Your Name, Due Date, 1st Period, Two Election Years

Page #2 – 1st Election Data

Page #3 – 2nd Election Data

Page #4 – Electoral Maps from each election

Page #5 – Comparison between elections

Page #6 – Summary of the project – What did you learn? Why did we do this project? This should be at least half a page to 3/4th of a page.

How to Hand In:

Projects should be printed out, stapled, and handed in on Friday, November 12th @ the start of the period.

No fancy folders, no sleeves – keep it simple

You should print the electoral maps in color – nothing else needs to be in color. (Page 4)

Any project not handed in at the start of the period on 11/12 will lose a letter grade each day late.