

Decision '04: Bush or Kerry? Analyzing Political Parties

Critical Thinking Questions

Directions: Read the information about each candidate. Discuss the questions below and fill in the graphic organizer in your notebook. Highlight which candidate's platform you prefer in each category. You must highlight one box per category.

Political Experience:

Summarize each candidate's political experience. For example: What offices has he held? How long has he been involved in politics? Which one do you think is better qualified?

Environment:

Briefly describe each candidate's position on this platform issue, in other words, what does the candidate say he is going to do to help the environment? Which candidate has a stronger position on this issue? Why?

Education:

Briefly describe each candidate's position on this platform issue, in other words, what does the candidate say he is going to do to improve education? Which candidate has a stronger position on this issue? Why?

Economy:

Briefly describe each candidate's position on this platform issue, in other words, what does the candidate say he is going to do to improve the economy? Which candidate has a stronger position on this issue? Why?