

Dream of a Nation
A People-Centered and Accountable Government

Name _____

Key Terms- Find definitions of the following key terms throughout chapter 1. Please write definitions on a separate sheet of paper in complete sentences.

Living Democracy

Fair Elections

Innovation

Common Good

Lobbyists

Bipartisanship/Post-Partisanship

Spending Priorities

Participatory Budgeting

Objective Analyses

Article Questions- Please write answers to the following questions on a separate sheet of paper, in complete sentences.

Infographic

1. What statistic stands out most to you and why?
2. Is there a statistic you don't understand or that seems irrelevant? Which one?

Toward a Living Democracy

1. Discuss the differences, advantages and disadvantages between a "thin" and "living" democracy.
2. How does a "living democracy" contribute toward the idea of the "common good"?

Redefining Security for Strong Communities and a Safer World

3. Create a list of your own priorities using the categories described on page 16.
4. Are there any potential issues in the new priorities movement?

Getting Money Out of Politics: Putting the Public First

5. Identify the three core issues with elections dominated by money.
6. What are the advantages of a Fair Election system?

Citizens Strengthening Democracy

7. In what ways does stronger citizen participation in government serve to strengthen democracy?

Bridging the Political Divide

8. If you were a representative in Congress, how would you advance post-partisan relations?

Post Reading Questions-

9. What does a people-centered and accountable government look and act like?
10. Describe ways in which you could advocate for engagement and accountability in your local government.