

Personal Political Profile
60 Points **Due Tuesday, April 15th**

Name _____ Hr _____

Directions: You are to create a document/poster that shows your present political beliefs. It will help your instructor get to know you better while helping you to articulate your political values. You are to include your political compass graph, your chosen political affiliation (party or independent) and your views on a list of specific issues. You may choose to include views on any additional issues that you find important. Your profile will be evaluated for the thoroughness of your answers about the issues as well as the professional appearance of the product. It may be done as a poster, booklet, pamphlet, PowerPoint, web page or any option approved by your teacher. Below are the issues you need to include and grading for the project. You may want to look at the websites of various political parties to help you figure out your answers. Links are on my Government & Citizenship website.

Issues to address:

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| 1. Abortion | 7. Healthcare –How involved should the government be? (Universal?) |
| 2. Flag Burning | 8. Prayer in School |
| 3. Gun Control | 9. Military – Iraq/Afghanistan |
| 4. Energy Policy | 10. Death Penalty |
| 5. Affirmative Action (Race Relations) | 11. Gay Marriage/Rights |
| 6. Minimum Wage – good/bad (Needed? Should it have been raised?) | 12. Taxes – Obama plan? Making wealthier pay higher tax rates. |

You are expected to research issues and give as many specific details as you can about your beliefs. Make sure you back up your positions with data when possible, not just opinion. Of course some issues are more religious/philosophical in nature, but even those have specific rational arguments. I have put up websites that may help you in your search.

Before you turn in, does your project include:

- _____ Political Compass and explanation of where you are plotted says about your beliefs
- _____ A statement of which political party you lean towards(if any) and why/why not?
- _____ Answers to all 12 issues.
- _____ This grading sheet with your name and hour

GRADING

Compass w/explanation	/3	Issues Answers	/36
Party Affiliation/Why?	/3	Creativity/Interest Factor	/6
Professional Appearance (Spelling, neatness, organization)	/8	Sources cited	/4

Total Score /60 points

* Helpful websites are located on my Government & Citizenship web page.