



Section 2: Guided Reading and Review

The Two-Party System

A. As You Read

As you read Section 2, fill in the blanks below explaining how each factor contributes to the stability of the two-party system in the United States.

1. Historical Basis: _____

2. Tradition: _____

3. Electoral System: _____

4. Ideological Consensus: _____

B. Reviewing Key Terms

Define the following terms.

5. minor party _____
6. two-party system _____
7. single-member district _____
8. plurality _____
9. pluralistic society _____
10. consensus _____
11. multiparty _____
12. one-party system _____