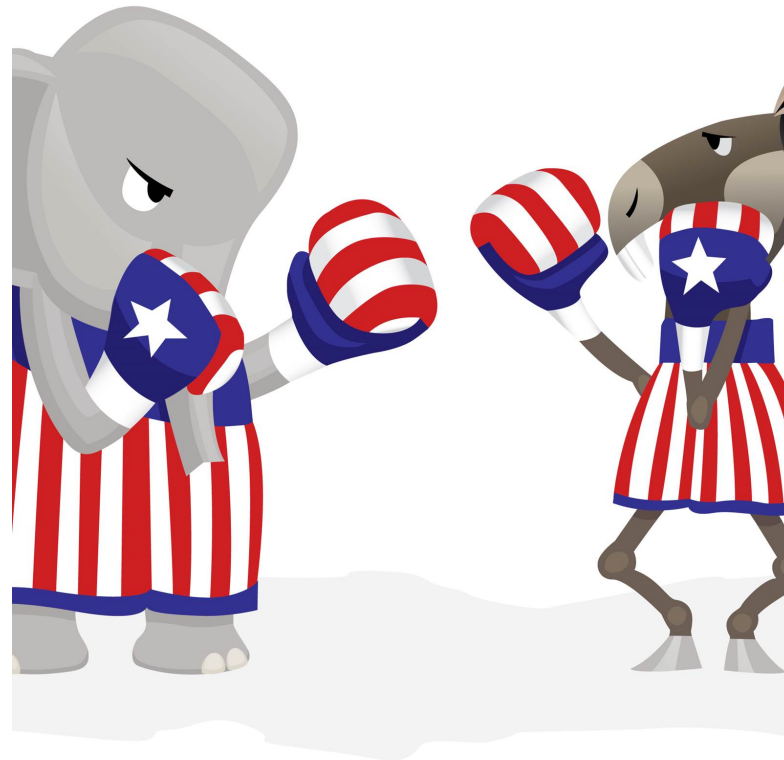


Functions of Political Parties



Do Now Activity



Journal #6

Respond to the following video.
What is the message? What can
you do today to achieve that
message politically?

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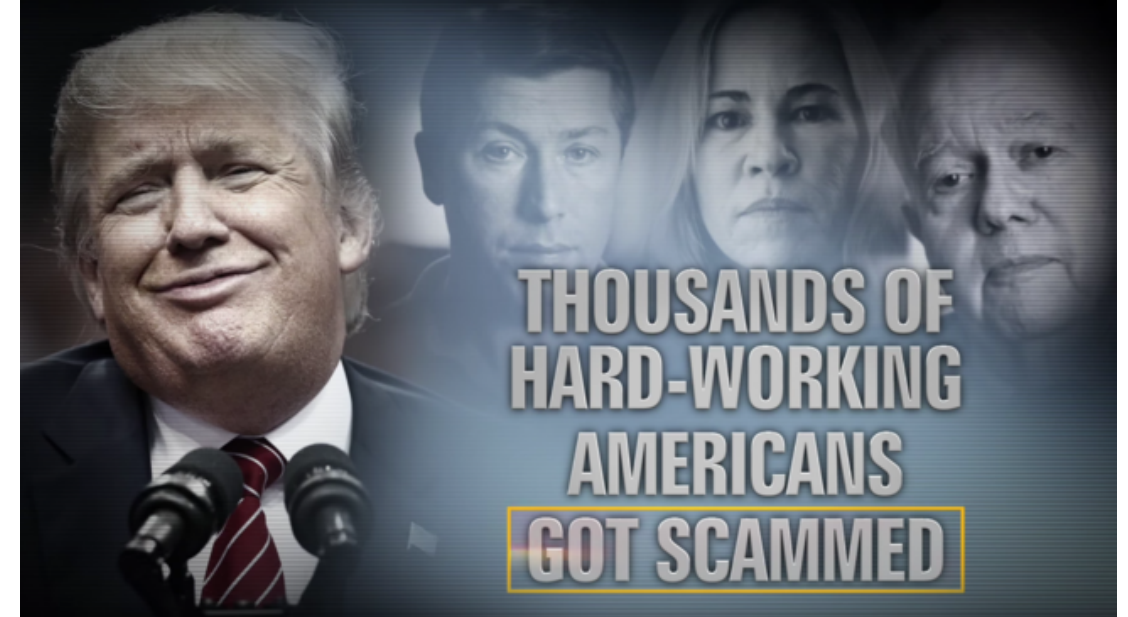
1. Nominate Candidates for Public Office

- Select candidate and present to voters
- Work to get candidate win elections
- Gather support
- Sets political parties apart from other parties



2. Inform and Activate Supporters

- Generate interest and participation
 - Campaigning
 - Taking a stand on issues
 - Criticize opponents
- Inform voters of THEIR views
 - Advertising



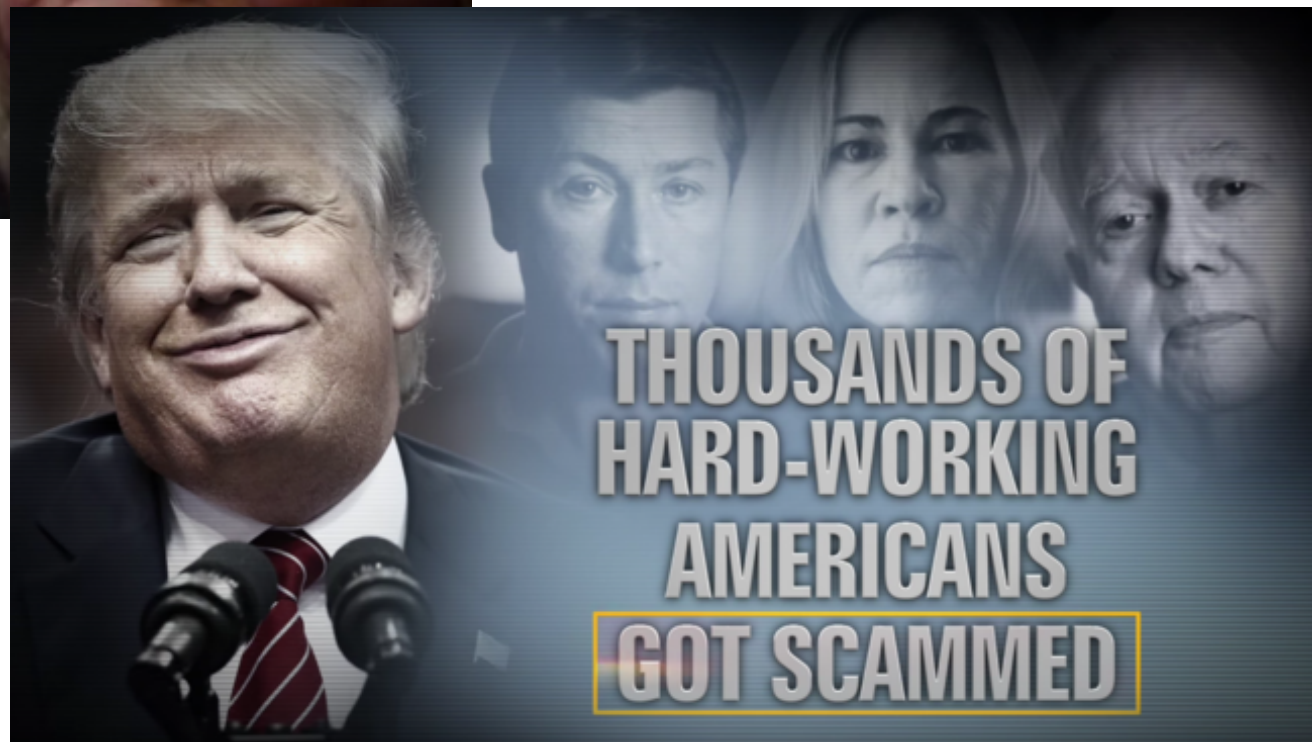
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STAY SECRETIVE, *my friends*

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HARD-WORKING
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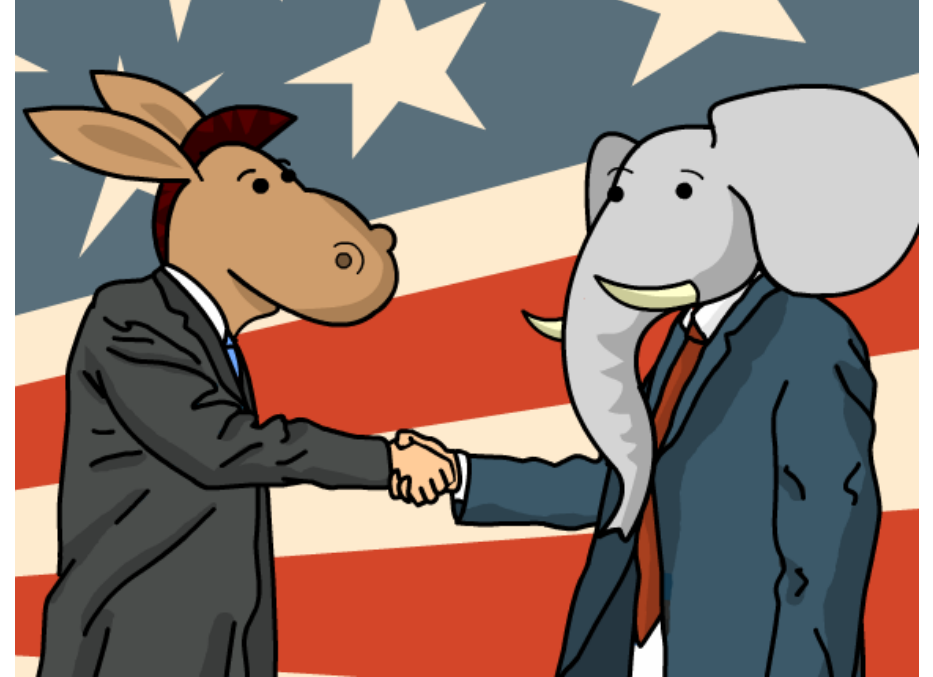
3. Act as Bonding Agent

- Make sure good political performance in office
- Tries to make sure candidates are qualified and of good character
- *Failure to do so will hurt future elections*



4. Governing

- Legislative branch are organized on party lines
 - **Partisanship** – government action based on party allegiance
- Legislative and executive branches must cooperate to accomplish anything



5. Watchdog

- Party NOT in power closely watches the party of power
 - Party that has a close relationship with executive branch



- What does that mean to you as a future voter?
- How do you influence political parties?