



US/AZ Government President Role Project

Purpose:

The President of the United States wears many different hats in the performance of his duties. Some presidential actions deal with foreign policy, while others require him to serve as ceremonial leader of our country. Some actions require him to lead the armed forces, while others require him to act as leader of his own political party. Balancing these roles is often challenging.

1. Why do Presidents issue executive orders?
2. What must a President consider before issuing an executive order?
3. Who must approve Presidential actions?

Procedure:

Working alone, the student will analyze any TEN of the documents listed below.

As you analyze the documents, you will group them according to which role the President was performing – Commander-in-Chief, Chief Executive, Chief Agenda Setter, Representative of the Nation, Chief of State, Foreign Policy Leader, and Party Leader.

For each document, the student will complete a “Presidential Role Assignment Form”, which will require you not only to describe the document but also to predict consequences of the action taken.

Product:

The final product will be in Word form. The project needs to include all the information that is above in the procedure section, failure to do so will result in a lower grade.