

## **Election Notebook**

This notebook can be thought of as a scrapbook of important moments of the 2012 Presidential Election.

You should have already divided the notebook in 2 parts--flip it over so that each part goes in the same direction.

One side will be for the Democrats/Barack Obama, the other side for the Republicans/ Mitt Romney. The cover of each side should be decorated!!

So far your notebook should already include:

- HW 10 (3 issues that you researched where each party stands)
- An advice letter to the candidate assigned after the first debate
- An advice letter to the other candidate after the 2nd debate
- 5 explained political cartoons (2 Romney, 2 Obama, 1 about the election in general)

In the days leading up to the election you will complete/answer the following in the appropriate side of your book:

### **OBAMA & ROMNEY ON ISSUES:**

To what extent did each candidate address your 3 issues during the debates? (only sources needed are debates--use interactive NYT site to help you find the issues)

Pick 1 of your 3 issues, find at least 1 article per candidate that discusses the impact/role of the issue on the candidate and the election. Write the author, name, date and source of the article (you don't have to print it) and a summary and your opinion for each.

### **CANDIDATES' REFLECTION ON EVENTS**

At least 3 diary entries per candidate FROM THEIR PERSPECTIVES about topics other than the debates. These events should be ones you feel impacted the candidate or was somehow significant. You may need to look up the events so you can date the entry correctly and write with detail!

(all must be followed by sources)

### **MEDIA AND THE CANDIDATES**

At least 1 more political cartoon each

5 memes/videos per candidate!

All must state source, date, author, background info + your analysis/explanation

CREATE YOUR OWN MEME—1 for each candidate, with an explanation of your rationale in creating it! (there are online meme-makers! Also lots of apps!)