**American Government**

**Ch. 5 Sec. 1 “Party Functions”**

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Read below about an action taken by a political party member. Then write the party function being performed. Choose from this list: (1) nominating candidates; (2) informing and activating supporters; (3) bonding (insurance) agent; (4) watchdog; (5) governing.

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| Action | Party Function |
| 1. Republican John Thune served in the House of  Representatives, then national party felt he would be a strong candidate and asked him to run for the Senate.  Thune agreed. |  |
| 2. John McCain was the Republican candidate for President in 2008. |  |
| 3. The Republican Party revises its Web site regularly. |  |
| 4. The Democrats won control of the House of  Representatives. This meant a Democrat would  become chairperson of the Armed Services  Committee and would make decisions regarding the military. |  |
| 5. The Armed Services Committee reviewed the defense  budget. The ranking Republican on the committee  did not like one budget item and held a press conference about it. At that time, the Democrats controlled the House of Representatives. |  |
| 6. A senator was caught in a scandal. So leaders of the  senator’s party pressured him to resign. |  |
| 7. Barack Obama made his acceptance speech. It was  before the Democratic National Convention in 1980. |  |
| 8. The Democratic Party ordered 1 million bumper  stickers printed for a presidential election. |  |
| 9. When George W. Bush was elected President, he  appointed members of his party (Republican) to his Cabinet to help run the country. |  |
| 10. After World War I, Democratic President  Wilson negotiated the Versailles Treaty. Senate  Republicans did not like the treaty and opposed it. |  |