Hillary Clinton, D
Former Secretary of State and United States Senator
Current residence: NY / Washington, D.C.
Priorities: building an economy for tomorrow; strengthening America’s families; defending American and its core values; revitalizing democracy
https://www.hillaryclinton.com/

Bernie Sanders, D
United States Senator and former U.S. Representative
Current residence: Vermont
Priorities: supporting families; creating decent paying jobs; addressing income and wealth inequality; getting big money out of politics; addressing climate change and investing in renewable energy; establishing a living wage
https://berniesanders.com/

Donald Trump, R
Businessman
Current residence: New York
Priorities: reforming U.S.-China Trade Deal; reforming Veterans’ Administration to improve care; reforming tax code; reforming immigration laws; protecting the 2nd Amendment
https://www.donaldjtrump.com/
Marco Rubio, R  
Suspended campaign after Florida primary  
March 15, 2016

Jim Gilmore, R  
Suspended Campaign after New Hampshire Primary  
February 12, 2016

Mike Huckabee, R  
Suspended Campaign after Iowa Caucus  
February 1, 2016

John Kasich, R  
Suspended Campaign after Indiana Primary  
May 4, 2016

Ben Carson, R  
Suspended Campaign after Super Tuesday  
March 2, 2016

Rand Paul, R  
Suspended campaign after Iowa Caucus  
February 3, 2016

Ted Cruz, R  
Suspended Campaign after Indiana Primary  
May 3, 2016

Martin O’Malley, D  
Suspended campaign after Iowa Caucus  
February 1, 2016

Carly Fiorina, R  
Suspended Campaign after New Hampshire Primary  
February 10, 2016

Marco Rubio, R  
Suspended campaign after Florida primary  
March 15, 2016

Jeb Bush, R  
Suspended Campaign after South Carolina Primary  
February 20, 2016

John Kasich, R  
Suspended Campaign after Indiana Primary  
May 4, 2016

Chris Christie, R  
Suspended Campaign after New Hampshire Primary  
February 10, 2016

Rick Santorum, R  
Suspended campaign after Iowa Caucus  
February 3, 2016

Joe Biden, D  
Suspended campaign after Iowa Caucus  
February 1, 2016

Analysis

1) What commonalities do you see among candidates within the same political party?
2) What commonalities do you see between candidates of different political parties?
3) What do these priorities tell you about the demographics of each party’s membership base? Who are the candidates appealing to with these priorities (what income level, race/ethnicity, faith, etc.)?
4) Are there any terms that are unfamiliar to you? Researching these terms will give you an idea of how people from both parties interpret this issue (such as “pro-life” or “tax code”)?
Guides to the 2016 Presidential Candidates

The New York Times

The Atlantic

Washington Examiner
http://www.washingtonexaminer.com/your-guide-to-the-2016-presidential-candidates/article/2564959

D: Democratic Party
R: Republican Party

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