Parties, Politics, and Political Participation Name\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
Socialization Worksheet   
Mr. Faulhaber Class Period: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Directions: For each of the following issues, write in around 3 sentences your thoughts regarding what role, if any, the government should play in each of the following issues and what the ideal policy you would support.**

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| Issue | Your View: |
| Capital Punishment  (Death Penalty) |  |
| Abortion |  |
| Drugs  (Legalization and Decriminalization) |  |
| Minimum Wage  ($15 “Living Wage”, state control, etc) |  |
| Guns  (Control Laws or More Freedoms) |  |
| Environment  (Green New Deal, move from fossil Fuels) |  |
| Taxes  (Are the wealthy paying enough? Should we have a flat tax? National Sales Tax? |  |
| Healthcare (single-Payer: Universal) |  |
| Foreign Policy (Intervention, America First) |  |
| Civil Rights (Affirmative Action, Equity, etc) |  |
| Schools (Curriculum, Role pf school, Parents, Parents, etc.) |  |

1. Have a discussion with your parents, siblings, relatives, friends, teachers, co-workers about the issues you have your thoughts regarding. How do your beliefs compare? Where did you agree/Disagree with your parents? Where did you agree/Disagree with your friends? Etc.

DIRECTIONS: **For each of the following issues, list the agents of political socialization that have influenced your views the most on each of the following issues. Examples include: Family, Schools, Church, Friends, Occupation, the Media, Age Group, Geography/Geographic Location, Gender, Race, Income Level, etc.**

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| Issue | Agent**S** of Socialization |
| Capital Punishment |  |
| Abortion |  |
| Marijuana Legalization |  |
| Minimum Wage |  |
| Guns |  |
| Environment |  |
| Taxes |  |
| Healthcare |  |
| Foreign Policy |  |
| Civil Rights |  |
| Schools |  |

2. What were the most dominant influences? Explain

3. What were the least dominant influences? Explain

4. Which influences surprised you? Explain.

5. Based upon your responses to the above, what conclusions can you draw about the development of your political beliefs?