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Election 2008 Web Hunt

While the candidates are making campaign stops, make an exciting stop of your own—at the Scholastic News Online Election 2008 headquarters! The site is full of news stories and games about the race to the White House. Explore them all to complete this Web hunt.

1. Learn about campaigning firsthand. Click on any star on the “Live From the Trail” map. Describe what happened at the campaign event there.

2. Play “You’re the Candidate” to learn about the Electoral College. How many electoral votes must a candidate win to become President?

3. Get creative at “Create a Campaign Poster” in the “Campaigning” section. Make a campaign poster for your favorite candidate. Share your slogan here.

4. Get to know John McCain in the “Meet the Candidates” section. Name the city and state where the McCains live.

5. Learn all about Barack Obama at “Meet the Candidates”. What do the Obamas plan to get when the election is over?

6. Go to the Scholastic Kid Reporters’ “Election 2008 Blog” and read a recent entry. Send in a comment and copy it here.

7. Play the “Constitution Game” in “How Our Government Works”. What are the first three words of the Constitution?

8. Take over the Oval Office! Play “You’re the President” in the “How Our Government Works” section and create a budget for the nation. What are the top-three items in your budget?

9. Discover how professional journalists do their job in “Tips From the Pros”. What was the most interesting thing you learned from the video interview with Brian Williams, the anchor of *NBC Nightly News*?

10. What role do third parties play in a presidential election? Check out “Political Parties” to find out. In the space below, write the names of the Independent, Green Party, and Libertarian Party candidates.

