

QUIZ WIZ

How much do you know about what's in this issue of JS? Getting 18-20 correct makes you a Quiz Wizard; 14-17 correct makes you a Wizard's Apprentice.

COVER STORY: EXPERIENCE: WHAT KIND IS BEST?, PAGES 6-7

■ Use a word from this list to correctly complete each sentence.

Joe Biden, Jimmy Carter, Dick Cheney, Dwight D. Eisenhower, executives, generals, Al Gore, Governors, legislators, mayors, John McCain, Barack Obama, Sarah Palin, resigned, Senators, Vice Presidents, was killed

1. Both of the 2008 major-party candidates for the presidency are currently serving as _____.
2. Before being elected President, Jimmy Carter, Ronald Reagan, Bill Clinton, and George W. Bush all served as _____.
3. The only 2008 major-party candidate with executive experience is _____.
4. Only one Vice President became the Chief Executive after the President _____.
5. The only President in the last 50 years to have been a General was _____.

ELECTION 2008: STRETCHING THE TRUTH, PAGES 8-9

■ Decide whether each sentence is true, false, or an opinion. Write your answer on the blank line provided.

- _____ 6. The candidates and their supporters have spent millions of dollars on TV commercials.
- _____ 7. Attack ads are never effective.
- _____ 8. Political ads should air candidates' positions on the issues instead of putting down their opponents.

- _____ 9. FactCheck.org examines campaign statements for accuracy.
- _____ 10. The political process would be fairer if campaign advertising were regulated by law.
- _____ 11. Students should reflect on what matters most to them.
- _____ 12. Political ads are usually reliable sources of information.
- _____ 13. Obama and McCain both say that they want "change" and "reform."
- _____ 14. McCain says that he will abolish the Department of Education.
- _____ 15. Obama's tax plan calls for reducing taxes for 81 percent of households.

ELECTION 2008: "ELECTIONSPEAK," PAGES 10-11

■ On each line given, write the letter of the term that best matches the definition.

- ___ 16. The reinterpretation of a candidate's misstatement from a negative to a positive:
A. mudslinging C. spin
B. pundit D. swift-boating
- ___ 17. Private organization that collects campaign money and distributes it to candidates:
A. 527 C. political action committee
B. lame duck D. white collar
- ___ 18. Personal-attack political campaigning:
A. lobbying C. sound bites
B. mudslinging D. spin
- ___ 19. Workers who tend to be hourly wage earners in factories, or make a living doing manual labor:
A. blue collar C. pundits
B. police officers D. white collar
- ___ 20. Groups not subject to taxation that work to elect or defeat a candidate:
A. 527s C. soccer moms
B. lobbyists D. swing voters