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1. What does Barbara Sinclair mean when she refers to lawmaking as “unorthodox lawmaking”?
2. In what ways does the President influence lawmaking?
3. How is it possible that the President must “win” 10 times before a bill hopes to meet final passage?
4. On which issues do the two major political parties tend to be the most divided? What position does each side take on these issues?
5. Explain one reason for the increased ideological distance between the political parties:
6. Describe why mail and polling are not reliable indicators of public opinion:
7. Speaking of polling, currently Congress has a 9% approval rating. Why is it then that incumbents keep getting re-elected?
8. How do lobbyists and interest groups influence lawmaking?