

## **Why the Electoral College is Important**

*Discussion: Answer the questions based on the video and information sheet, "Why the Electoral College is Important." What is your opinion on the Electoral College?*

1. Why do you think the Founding Fathers instituted the Electoral College system?

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2. Does the Electoral College limit or promote democracy?

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3. The main criticism of the Electoral College is that it discounts the popular vote. What are the advantages and disadvantages of the popular vote?

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4. The Electoral College issue is often framed in terms of states' rights. What is more important – the rights of each state, or the vote of the each individual?

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5. Imagine you are in charge of electoral policy. What is your vision for how a presidential election should work?

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