

**Worksheet**

**Instructions:**

Answer the questions below before playing the American Democracy Game, and then again after playing the game. Compare your answers and complete the worksheet.

**Before** playing the game, answer these questions…

1. What does “representative democracy” or “republic” mean? How does it impact you?

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1. Is it more important to stand firm with your ideas or to be flexible? Explain.

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**After** playing the game, answer the same questions again…

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Compare your two sets of answers from above.

How do they differ?

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What did you learn from being a representative?

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