

Civics & Economics – Which Hat?

You have learned about the seven "hats," or roles, of the President. Now research a past President to see how he wore some of those hats!

The Seven Hats of the President Are:

- **Chief Executive**

As the nation's Chief Executive, the President oversees the major offices of the U.S. government and makes sure its _____ are being followed. The President also appoints advisers who make up what's known as the President's _____. These advisers handle everything from defense to education and work very closely with the President. The President also picks federal judges and _____ Court Justices, who must be approved by the _____.

- **Commander in Chief of the Armed Forces**

The Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard all follow the orders of the President. It is his or her job to defend the nation during war, and to keep the nation strong during peacetime. He or she can send troops into action in emergencies, but cannot _____ war against another country – that's the job of _____.

- **Head of State**

The President is the most important representative of our country. He or she travels all over the U.S. and the world, giving speeches and meeting with officials. On a typical day, the President may call the Super Bowl winners to congratulate them and invite world leaders to dinner at the _____.

- **Chief Diplomat**

The President decides how the United States will interact with other _____. This role includes deciding whether or not to make agreements with other nations, sending _____ to countries that need help, and meeting with representatives from other nations.

- **Political Party Leader**

The President plays a key role in shaping his or her political party's position on the issues. Presidents also use their influence to raise _____ for their political party, and they support other members of the party who are running for _____.

- **Economic Leader**

After the Great _____ of the 1930s, Presidents took on a greater role in watching over America's economy. Presidents establish economic programs to make sure Americans have _____. They encourage Congress to raise or lower _____.

- **Legislative Leader**

Presidents can recommend _____ to Congress. They also have the right to _____, or reject, laws that Congress passes. Congress can override a veto by a _____ vote of the House of Representatives and Senate.

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