
HANDOUT EIGHT, LESSON SIX

SPEECH WRITING PROMPTS

"[President Obama] is a writer, and he has the gift of being able to see the scenes that he is participating in and stepping back and evaluating them."

— David Axelrod

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1. PRESIDENT OBAMA'S ADMINISTRATION DID _____ IN MOVING US TOWARD A MORE PERFECT UNION. _____ IS WHAT WE NEED TO DO IN ORDER TO CONTINUE AND BUILD ON THAT WORK....

2. RACE AND RACIAL IDENTITY PLAY _____ ROLE IN OUR POLITICAL SYSTEMS, AND IN ORDER TO STRIVE TOWARD A MORE PERFECT UNION, WE WILL NEED TO SHIFT THAT ROLE SO THAT THEY _____....

3. TODAY, THE INSTITUTIONS OF OUR DEMOCRACY, SUCH AS THE RIGHT TO VOTE, ARE _____. IN ORDER TO WORK TOWARD A MORE PERFECT UNION, WE MUST.....

4. THE OBAMA ADMINISTRATION HAS _____ RELATIONSHIP TO THE HISTORY OF CIVIL RIGHTS IN AMERICA. I BELIEVE THAT _____ NEEDS TO HAPPEN IN ORDER TO CARRY THAT LEGACY FORWARD.

5. CHANGE IN AMERICA HAPPENS WHEN _____. THE MOST IMPORTANT THING WE CAN WORK ON NOW TO BRING US CLOSER TO A MORE PERFECT UNION IS _____.

6. PRESIDENT OBAMA HAS PARTICIPATED IN OUR DEMOCRACY AS A WRITER, COMMUNITY ORGANIZER, HUMAN RIGHTS LAWYER, SENATOR, PRESIDENT, CITIZEN, FATHER, AND FRIEND. HERE ARE THE WAYS EACH INDIVIDUAL CAN CONTRIBUTE TO THE CREATION OF A MORE PERFECT UNION: _____.

7. TODAY _____ THE MOST PRESSING ISSUE OUR NATION FACES IS _____. IN ORDER FOR US TO LIVE UP TO THE IDEALS SET FORTH BY OUR FOUNDERS TO CREATE A "MORE PERFECT UNION" WE MUST CONTINUE TO _____. HERE'S HOW WE DO IT...