

Section 2 Notetaking Study Guide

Question to Think About As you read Section 2 in your textbook and take notes, keep this question in mind: **How did two political parties emerge?**

► Use these charts to record key information from the section. Some information has been filled in to get you started.

The Birth of Political Parties

At first, political parties did not exist because people felt a leader should represent _____.

President Washington tried to discourage the growth of political parties, which were originally called _____.

The Two Parties

	Federalists	Republicans
Origin	Took name from early supporters of the Constitution	Democratic-Republican clubs
Leaders	•	• James Madison •
Supporters	• merchants • •	• northern farmers and artisans
Position on state vs. federal power	•	•
Positions on other issues	Favored: • loose interpretation of Constitution • • • close ties with _____	Favored: • • close ties with _____ Opposed: • •
Presidential candidate in 1796	•	• Thomas Jefferson

Results of the 1796 Election

President: _____

Vice President: _____

Refer to this page to answer the Chapter 8 Focus Question on page 135.