

## APPETIZER

# Melting Pot Soup

America is a place where diverse cultures, ideas, and peoples mix together. As your meal begins, provoke a discussion by asking these questions:

1. **What are the shared values and core beliefs that unite us as a country?**
2. **Name one thing about American democracy you're grateful for.**
3. **What major legislation has had a beneficial impact on the country and society?**



Rally the table behind one piece of new legislation that everyone can agree on. If, for example, the government had a surplus of cash to launch a new initiative, which of the following ways should they spend the money?

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|----------------|--------------------|
| Infrastructure | Health             |
| Debt Reduction | Social Security    |
| Tax Cuts       | Climate and Energy |
| Education      | National Security  |

# THE Bipartisan Family Survival Guide

— HOLIDAY EDITION —

**The holidays are a reminder that there's more that unites us as Americans than divides us. We don't believe families should avoid politics when they get together to celebrate. After all, if we can't discuss important issues with our loved ones, how can we expect our leaders to work together?**

## MAIN COURSE

# Something "Meaty"

Discuss substantial issues that matter to you and your family.

Setting priorities is a challenge for our government. Can your table agree on 3 of the following issues you would most like Congress and the president to work on together?

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|---------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------|
| <b>The Economy</b>        | <b>Guns</b>              | <b>Trade</b>                   |
| <b>Health Care</b>        | <b>Transportation</b>    | <b>Cybersecurity</b>           |
| <b>Energy/Climate</b>     | <b>Agriculture</b>       | <b>Terrorism</b>               |
| <b>Civil Rights</b>       | <b>Foreign Policy</b>    | <b>Campaign Finance Reform</b> |
| <b>Immigration Reform</b> | <b>Veterans' Affairs</b> | <b>Election Security</b>       |
| <b>Education</b>          | <b>Taxes</b>             |                                |



## DESSERT

# ImPEACHment Pie

You've made it this far, so now it's time to talk about impeachment. But first...

### Did you know?

During the last two years in office of Presidents Nixon and Clinton, Congress passed 772 and 604 laws respectively?

### Which means...

Bipartisan action has always been the key ingredient for making a positive difference in people's lives – even during times of political turmoil.

**CONGRATULATIONS!**  
**YOU'VE SURVIVED THE HOLIDAYS AS A BIPARTISAN CHAMPION!**

Tweet your photos and answers to @BPCaction!





## TRIVIA

- In a bill at the end of 2019, which two things did Congress pass as part of a bipartisan compromise?**
  - Paid parental leave for federal employees and the Space Force
  - New clean energy requirements and offshore drilling
  - Support for more border security and undocumented residents brought to the US as young children
  - A bullet train from LA to NYC and the elimination of all taxes
- Which of these bills was recently enacted with broad bipartisan support?**
  - The 21st Century Cures Act, which will accelerate medical product development and bring new innovations and advances to patients who need them
  - The First Step Act, which reforms the criminal justice system to reduce recidivism
  - The Harry W. Colmery Veterans Educational Assistance Act, which expands education benefits for veterans and their families
  - All of the above
- How many seats in the House of Representatives and Senate are up for election in 2020?**
  - 33
  - 100
  - 470
  - 700
- Which President hosted the first Hanukkah Party at the White House?**
  - Donald Trump
  - John F Kennedy
  - George W Bush
  - Ulysses S Grant
- During the previous Congress, (2017/2018), 443 laws were enacted. During the 95th Congress (1977/1928), 804 laws were enacted. How many laws have been enacted in the current Congress?**
  - 12
  - 66
  - 207
  - 853
- Where are the tallest natural and artificial Christmas Trees located?**
  - NYC and LA
  - Siberia and the Vatican
  - Idaho and Sri Lanka
  - The White House and Disney World
- How many current Supreme Court Justices are aged 65 or older?**
  - 1
  - 3
  - 5
  - 9
- What is the electoral college?**
  - A school to teach Congress better manners
  - A certificate program granting the right to vote
  - A process whereby voters select a group of people to formally vote for President and Vice President.



## WORD SEARCH

I M D P A T R I O T I S M  
 U M O B S T R U C T I O N  
 X Y P F I L I B U S T E R  
 J I G E R R Y M A N D E R  
 T B I P A R T I S A N W V  
 E C W I T C H H U N T R H  
 U V I A X C H T M O I N P  
 K C O M P R O M I S E S Q  
 R U P D Q X F D E Y W K D  
 A N S K Y F A K E N E W S  
 I I T Y C I V I L I T Y U  
 N B C O N G R E S S J Z M  
 E E M O L U M E N T S A X

**Find the following words in the puzzle.**  
 Words are hidden across and down.

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|-------------|------------|-----------|----------|
| IMPEACHMENT | PATRIOTISM | WITCHHUNT | FAKENEWS |
| OBSTRUCTION | COMPROMISE | CONGRESS  | UKRAINE  |
| GERRYMANDER | BIPARTISAN | CIVILITY  |          |
| FILIBUSTER  | EMOLUMENTS |           |          |

## TRIVIA ANSWERS

1 A. Paid parental leave for federal employees and the Space Force | 2 D. All of the above | 3 C. 470 | 4 C. George W. Bush | 5 C. 131 | 6 B. 66 | 7 C. Idaho and Sri Lanka | 8 C. 5 | 9 C. A process whereby voters select a group of people to formally vote for President and Vice President.