Politics: Republican Vs Democrat

Matching: Use the following terms to complete the definitions

Obamacare **GOP** **Political Spectrum** **Progressive Taxation**

1. _____ – gives a general idea of the party's main philosophies.
2. _____ – a federally funded health care program started by Barack Obama that ensured all citizens with access to affordable health care.
3. _____ – the rich should pay a higher tax rate
4. _____ - Grand Old Party

Fill-in-the-blank:

1. The farther left you go on the political spectrum, the _____ government control, the farther right you go, the _____ government control.
2. Republicans stand for _____ while Democrats stand for _____.
3. Traditionally Democrats fall on the _____ side with more control, and Republicans fall on the _____ side with less control.
4. Democrats believe government should play a _____ role, more regulations and spend more money on social programs such as Medicaid, food stamps, and housing assistance.
5. Republicans believe in a _____ government, playing less of a role in American's lives; protection of social values such as making abortion illegal & restricting marriage to only be between man and woman.
6. Democrats support a _____ for workers and often seek to raise it. Republicans believe taxes should _____ raised for anyone, keeping government small will require less money.
7. Republicans also believe that an employee's wages should be set by their _____ and that a strong _____ is needed to protect Americans and our way of life.
8. Republicans believe life begins at _____ and that the child's life matters _____ than the woman's right to choose.
9. The first Republican president was _____. Under his leadership the union was preserved and _____ was abolished.
10. There have been _____ Republican presidents in American history, the most of any political party, including Donald Trump.
11. The modern-day Democratic party was founded around 1828 by supporters of _____, making it the oldest active political party.
12. _____ Democrats have served as president of the United States, including Barack Obama.

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Democrat or Republican?

Logos:

- _____: Elephant ("Seeing the Elephant")
- _____: Donkey (strong-willed animal)

Ideals:

- _____: Government has a more progressive approach to helping citizens of the United States. They are typically more liberal in their views on the rights of citizens.
- _____: push for a more limited and less controlling government. They take a more conservative approach to most rights of citizens. They promote citizen's individual rights to choose.

Economy:

- _____: Progressive Taxation on citizens (the higher the income, the higher the taxes)
- _____: Support cutting taxes (whenever possible) and the nation's debt; every American has the right to own, invest, build, and prosper.

Healthcare:

- _____: Keep health care private, (citizens can choose the health care provider they want)
- _____: Federally funded health care programs

Military:

- _____: Reduce budget for military defense; Safeguard nuclear weapons worldwide; believe peace is achieved through worldwide relationship building with other nations.
- _____: The key to protecting America is maintaining a strong military with a comprehensive defense system; believe that strengthening the military will build a safer world and better guarantee for peace.

Gun Control:

- _____: Restrictions on gun control; oppose the right to carry concealed weapons in public places.
- _____: Limit restrictions on gun control; Strongly support the Second Amendment, the Right to Bear Arms as well as the right to carry concealed weapons in public places.

Marriage:

- _____: Strongly against Same-Sex marriage; support marriage between man and woman only
- _____: Most support Same-Sex marriage

Abortion:

- _____: Pro-Life (human rights of the child come before the woman's choice); support alternatives to abortion such as adoption.
- _____: Pro-Choice (allows women to make their own choice)

Immigration:

- _____: Strict Immigration Restrictions (support closed or tight borders and regulating the amount of immigrants moving to the United States)
- _____: Less restrictions allow for immigrants from other countries to move to the United States

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