

Guided Reading Activity

America's Challenges for a New Century 2001–2008

Lesson 3 *Domestic Challenges*

Review Questions: Recording Who, What, When, Where, Why, and How Statements

Directions: Read each main idea and answer the questions below. Refer to your textbook to write the answers.

A. Main Idea: The Bush administration's policies led to debate over the balance between security and liberty in the United States.

1. **What** factors weakened Bush's approval ratings?

2. **Why** did Bush win reelection?

3. **What** was the Bush administration's response to the Supreme Court's decision regarding prisoners held at Guantanamo Bay?

4. **Why** was wiretapping domestic telephone calls made to overseas locations controversial?

B. Main Idea: During President Bush's second term, the Republicans faced political scandals, an ongoing war, and a natural disaster that led to the Democrats gaining control of Congress in the 2006 midterm elections.

1. **Why** did the government not respond more quickly to Hurricane Katrina?

2. **Whom** did Bush appoint to the Supreme Court?

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3. Why did Congress have trouble controlling spending?

4. Why did a number of investment banking firms go bankrupt?

Summary and Reflection

Directions: Summarize the main ideas of this lesson by answering the question below.

What domestic issues made President Bush’s second term particularly challenging?
