

Video Worksheet



The Presidency

Lesson 4 *Legislative, Economic, and Party Leader*

The State of the Union Address

Directions: Review the questions below and think about these questions as you watch the video. Take notes that answer these questions as the video plays.

- 1. Explaining** Why did President Thomas Jefferson choose not to fulfill the constitutional requirement of reporting to Congress on the state of the union by speaking to Congress in person? What happened as a result?

- 2. Contrasting** What made President Ford’s description of the state of the union different from those of the presidents who followed him?

- 3. Identifying** In President Obama’s State of the Union address, what did he say about his working relationship with Congress? What immediate action did he take to demonstrate his intent?

- 4. Summarizing** What did President Obama tell Republicans that they should do in reference to Obamacare?
