

# Vocabulary Connections Resources

## Important Words to Know and Understand in So You Want to Be President? Word List

**Vocabulary Connections** **So You Want to Be President?**  
By: Judith St. George  
Grade Level: 3 / Guided Reading Level: P

**Important Words to Know and Understand in "So You Want to Be President?"**

**Assassinate**  
To kill a famous or important person, usually for political reasons

**Constitution**  
The system of beliefs and laws by which a country, state, or organization is governed

**Duel**  
A fight between two people that includes the use of weapons. Duels were used in the past to settle arguments or protect someone's honor

**Frock coat**  
A long coat worn by men especially in the 19th century

**General**  
A military officer of very high rank

**Hitching post**  
A post to which a horse or other animal may be tied

**Oath**  
A formal and serious promise to tell the truth or to do something

**President**  
A person who has the highest position in a country, business, etc.

**Rig**  
A vehicle with wheels drawn by one or more horses







**Spectator**  
A person who watches an event, often as part of an audience

**Vice President**  
A person whose rank is just below that of the President of a country, business, etc.

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Assassinate is a/an noun verb adjective	Constitution is a/an noun verb adjective	Duel is a/an noun verb adjective
Definition of Assassinate:	Definition of Constitution:	Definition of Duel:
Assassinate looks like this:	Constitution looks like this:	Duel looks like this:
Assassinate reminds me of:	Constitution reminds me of:	Duel reminds me of:
I saw this word in _____	I saw this word in _____	I saw this word in _____

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**Word Games**  
with Words from So You Want to Be President?

**Directions:** Fill in each blank with the correct vocabulary words from the Word Bank.

- Synonym for watcher \_\_\_\_\_
- A verb that means to kill a famous person \_\_\_\_\_
- Another word for a solemn promise \_\_\_\_\_
- A fight with weapons between two people \_\_\_\_\_
- An object one ties horses to \_\_\_\_\_

**Word Bank:** ASSASSINATE, CONSTITUTION, DUEL, FROCK COAT, GENERAL, HITCHING POST, OATH, PRESIDENT, RIG, SPECTATOR, VICE PRESIDENT

**Directions:** Read each word above Abraham Lincoln's hat. Then use the code to color the hats.

1 Syllable	2 Syllables	3 Syllables	4 Syllables
Red	Brown	Green	Yellow

Constitution Frock coat General Rig Vice-President

3 Syllables 4 Syllables  
Green Yellow

Rig Vice-President

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## Word Games and Answer Key

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A new word that I learned in this book is: \_\_\_\_\_

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

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## Vocabulary Word Extension Activities

**Vocabulary Connections** **Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Directions:**

- Write a word from your reading that is new to you in the first column.
- Read the sentence or phrase before and after the sentence where the word appears. Write what you think the word means in the second column.
- Explain why you think your definition makes sense based on the context clues in the text.
- Write the dictionary definition.
- Place a check mark in the last column if the dictionary definition matches what you thought the word meant.

Word	What I Think the Word Means	Context Clues	Real Definition	✓

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When or where have you seen it, heard it, felt it, smelled it, or tasted it?

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