



AP U.S. Government and Politics

The Role of Citizens

Name:

Section:

Directions: Before the reading answer the thought questions below dealing with the idea of citizenship and civic duties. Then read the Time Magazine article making a case for Compulsory National Service and then the Atlantic article arguing against it then form your own idea.

Pre-Reading Thought Question:

Directions – Use your own ideas and pages from the textbook (Chapter 4-5) to answer the questions below

1. What are the specific rights of being a citizen of a democracy?

2. What are the specific responsibilities of a being a citizen of a democracy?

3. What role does the education system play in a democratic country?

Compulsory National Service

Directions – Read the Article by Times Magazine titled “The Case For National Service” and the article by the Atlantic titled “The Case Against Universal National Service” and come up with 3-4 arguments for and against using the table below. Once finished write your own views on the subject and explain.

1. Define Compulsory National Service:

2. Fill out the table below using the two articles

Compulsory National Service Debate	
Arguments For:	Arguments Against:
1.	1.
2.	2.
3.	3.
4.	4.

