

Chapter 9

Interest Groups

9.1 The Nature of Interest Groups

According to your textbook, what is an interest group?

Which amendment to our Constitution protects the right of interest groups to meet and petition the government?

Give three other names for interest groups.

What does your text mean when it says, "Remember our society is a **pluralistic** one." What is **pluralism**?

List three main differences between interest groups and political parties.

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

What was Madison's view of interest groups?

What are three valuable contributions of interest groups?

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

List three criticisms of interest groups.

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

9.2 Types of Interest Groups

Fill in the missing information below:

Type of Interest Group	Example of Interest group	Goals of Interest Group
Business Groups	US Chamber of Congress	Promote Business Interests
Labor Groups		
	The National Grange	
	AMA, NEA	
Groups that Promote Causes		
Public Interest Groups		

9.3 Interest Groups at Work

In what ways do interest groups influence public opinion?

What is **propaganda**?

How do interest groups use **PACs**?

What is **lobbying**?

List several different activities of **lobbyists**.

How did the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 try and regulate lobbyists?