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THE READING / LISTENING TAPESCRIPT

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In 1962, he entered state politics, and eight years later was elected Georgia Governor. He quickly attracted a lot of attention by emphasizing ecology, efficiency in government, and the removal of racial barriers in Georgia. Carter also became known for his outspoken opposition to the death penalty. Carter announced his candidacy for President in December 1974, the start of a two-year campaign.

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Carter was busy with his foreign policy. He helped bring peace between Egypt and Israel with the 1978 Camp David agreement, for which he later won the Nobel Prize. He also established full diplomatic relations with China and completed the negotiation of a nuclear limitation treaty with the Soviet Union. However, the Iran hostage crisis in 1980 and high inflation meant he lost the 1980 election.

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DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

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DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

1. _____
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STUDENT JIMMY CARTER SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about James Carter in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper. When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1 _____	STUDENT 2 _____	STUDENT 3 _____
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.



HOMEWORK

1. VOCABULARY EXTENSION: Choose several of the words from the text. Use a dictionary or Google's search field (or another search engine) to build up more associations / collocations of each word.

2. INTERNET INFO: Search the Internet and find more information about James Carter. Talk about what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

3. MAGAZINE ARTICLE: Write a magazine article about Jimmy Carter. Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your articles.

4. JIMMY CARTER POSTER Make a poster about Jimmy Carter. Show it to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your posters.

5. MY JIMMY CARTER LESSON: Make your own English lesson on Jimmy Carter. Make sure there is a good mix of things to do. Find some good online activities. Teach the class / another group when you have finished.

6. ONLINE SHARING: Use your blog, wiki, Facebook page, MySpace page, Twitter stream, Del-icio-us / StumbleUpon account, or any other social media tool to get opinions on Jimmy Carter. Share your findings with the class.

