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Political Parties

"Republicans and Democrats"

We're reporting live from the political party, come on.

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We're about to check out a political party.

But not like a birthday, more like a group,

Of like minded people who share a point of view.

When it comes to our government,

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and some more too.

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When the parties all party together.

Welcome to the party, but it's political,

Where sticking together gets real critical.

Every party you see has a platform,

A list of views and issues going on.

Who joins the party?

The candidates, running for office in ya city and ya state.

In the US we have a two-party system,

Republican & Democrat,

But don't forget some

Smaller parties like Libertarian or Green,

And a few other parties that are on the scene.

The founding fathers first tried to stick it all together,

But they disagreed, eventually that led to

Two parties forming, no surprise,
Each had different views on the government's size.
George Washington once dropped some knowledge,
Said all political parties ought to be abolished.

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Democrat, Republican - what's the difference?
Let me break it down now, listen.
Democrats are the donkey,
Their color is blue.
They're liberal, on the left,
And they believe in universal healthcare.
And that government should help
So it needs to be larger and tax the wealthier Americans.
More gun control,
And regulations to help the environment, yo.
Republicans' color is red — they are the elephant,
Conservative and on the right is their element.
They believe the government should play a small role,
With fewer social programs to keep taxes low.
They often oppose environmental regulation,
So businesses can carry on their operation.

Private healthcare, less gun control,
Those are basically the viewpoints that each party holds.

So come on, come on, come on —
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Yeah yeah yeah, that was the coverage of the political party, you know. We got to hang out with everyone tonight, the Republicans, Democrats...