1. What is an interest group?

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2. By what other names are interest groups sometimes known?

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3. Define the term *public policy*.

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4. Name four ways that parties and interest groups are different.
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   b. __________________________________________
   c. __________________________________________
   d. __________________________________________

5. Why did James Madison warn against interest groups?

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6. List six functions that interest groups perform in American politics.
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   b. __________________________________________
   c. __________________________________________
   d. __________________________________________
   e. __________________________________________
   f. __________________________________________

7. What are the main criticisms that have been leveled against interest groups?
   a. __________________________________________
   b. __________________________________________
   c. __________________________________________
   d. __________________________________________