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NewsHour Special: "Battle Lines '06" – Critical-viewing Handout

**This program will be shown live on Thursday, October 26, 2006
on your local PBS station from 9-10 p.m.**

Complete this worksheet as you watch the program. Use extra paper if necessary. At the end of the program, stop, look over your answers, and add any further information that you left out.

1. Toward the beginning of this program there will be an overview of the midterm elections narrated by Senior Correspondent Gwen Ifill. What key races/elections are mentioned? Why are these elections close? How has the campaign evolved, according to the program? Do you notice any trends?
2. Journalist Judy Woodruff is interviewing two people, who are they? What organizations do they represent?
3. Which candidates are doing very well according to the guests from question number two? Which candidates are not doing very well? Note where the candidates are from and which party they represent.
4. What reasons do the guests from question number two give as to why some are doing well while others are not? Do you notice any reoccurring themes?

