**STORM AND CRISIS: Government Assistance; Breakdowns Marked Path from Hurricane to Anarchy-Reflection Questions**

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1. According to the article, who was in control of each of the following agencies?

* State agencies & National Guard
* City workers and responders
* FEMA

1. What was the result of these agencies working together during the storm?

1. What resources/relief could FEMA provide? Why didn’t FEMA send these resources?
2. Why couldn’t the local and state agencies inventory the damage from the storm?
3. Why did the Bush Administration decide not to send troops into New Orleans?
4. What do you think of this decision?
5. Why were some supplies and support personnel so late in reaching New Orleans? Site at least three supplies and reasons why they didn’t reach New Orleans.
6. Did the response to Hurricane Katrina live up to the goal stated in the Home Land Security (FEMA is part of) National Response Plan?

Answer after the film

1. Based on what you saw in the video clip and what you read in this article, which level of government do you feel did the best job in handling Hurricane Katrina and its aftermath? Which level of government did worst? Why?