**Chapter 10-Congress**

**Vocabulary Terms**

**Chapter 10-Congress:**

**Bicameral-**A legislature made up of two equally powerful houses

**Term-**Two-year period of time during which Congress meets

**Session-**Period of time during which, each year, Congress assembles and conducts business

**Reapportion-**Redistribution of the seats in the House of Representatives every ten years following the census

**Off Year Election-**Congressional election that occurs between presidential election years

**Gerrymandering-**The drawing of electoral district lines to the advantage of a party or group

**Incumbent-**The person who currently holds the office

**Delegates-**One of four voting options for lawmakers in which they see themselves as the agents of the people who elected them

**Trustees-**One of four voting options for lawmakers in which they believe that each question they face must be decided on its merits

**Partisans-**One of four voting options for lawmakers in which they believe that they owe their first allegiance to their political party

**Politicos-**One of four voting options for lawmakers in which they attempt to combine the basic elements of the delegate, trustee, and partisan roles