

ROLES OF THE PRESIDENT

Directions: Use the listed internet sites and your book to define each presidential role. Additionally, list responsibilities of that role.

Role	Definition and Responsibilities	Characteristics of Hats
Chief Diplomat	Decides how the United States interacts with foreign nations, including foreign policy. Travels to foreign countries to meet with their officials, makes treaties, appoints ambassadors to foreign nations, meets with leaders of NATO, recognizes countries as legitimate.	
Chief Executive	Oversees government workers in the executive branch, determines how laws should be enforced, appoints cabinet secretaries, holds cabinet meetings.	
Chief Legislator	Advises Congress and either vetoes or signs bills. Delivers the State of Union Address, meets with congressional representatives, meets with the Speaker of the House, convenes both houses of Congress.	
Chief of State	Provides an inspiring example for, and public face/figure head of, the American people. Performs ceremonial duties, issues medals, makes patriotic speeches, greets visitors at the White House, issues pardon to Thanksgiving turkeys, lights the White House Christmas tree.	
Commander in Chief	Commands all U.S. Armed Forces, determines where troops are stationed/ships are sent and weapons are used. Chooses NOT to declare war, commissions officers, orders airstrikes, orders troops into combat.	
Chief of Economy	Helps the economy run smoothly. Focuses on the budget, unemployment, taxes, and the general prosperity of the country.	
Party Chief	Promotes/supports key members of the same political party. Appoints those members to executive cabinet positions or helps get them elected to other key positions.	