

Part C.

To conclude this lesson, assume that the incoming president has asked you to be his "idea person." To him, the statement in the Declaration of Independence that "all men are created equal" should, of all people, apply to Native Americans. He recognizes that little has changed in recent years to improve living conditions for Native Americans. He visualizes going down in history as the president who took seriously the problems of this important minority, and he plans to undertake a ten-year program to achieve real progress. (Just as President Kennedy believed that, with effort, we could put a man on the moon by the end of the 1960s, the new president believes this country *can* solve the problems of Native Americans within a decade.)

As he prepares his first State of the Union message, the new president wants you to write a compelling introduction to dramatize the urgency of reform, an outline of a ten-year program to address the problem, your rationale for the proposal, and an appropriate two-word "sound bite" that television reporters will be likely to pick up to label his administration.