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**The Misplaced Obsession with PACs -- Reading Analysis**

1. What is the number one source of campaign funding for most candidates?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
2. Do campaigns on average spend more or less money than the average advertising budget for a major commercial enterprise?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
3. Sabato contends that “The problem in campaign finance is not PACs, it is \_\_\_\_\_.”  
Why?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
4. What does Sabato believe are the two checks on abuses by factions such as PACs?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
5. Where do ideological PACs receive most of their money? What is an inherent flaw of this system?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
6. Do most PACs succeed in “buying” votes? Why not (indicate two competing loyalties that Sabato feels exert influence)?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
7. Why does Sabato believe that campaign finance reform should bolster political parties?