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### "Karl Rove -- The Architect"

1. What is the difference between *policy* and *political strategy*?
2. Based on what you learned in the documentary, what do you think is Karl Rove's area of expertise and experience?
3. What personal and professional qualities do you think are necessary for a *policymaker*? What personal and professional qualities do you think are necessary for a *political strategist*?
4. President Bush has given Karl Rove the new title of "White House deputy chief of staff in charge of coordinating domestic policy, economic policy, national security and homeland security"? What roles and/or powers does this title give Rove?
5. What information in the documentary most surprised you?
6. Which of Karl Rove's strengths does the documentary present? Who tells us about his strengths?
7. Which of Karl Rove's strategies were most successful in President Bush's election and re-election?
8. What problems do Karl Rove's strategies present? Who in the film discusses these problems?
9. Why do you think that the filmmakers felt that Karl Rove was important enough to have a documentary devoted to his life and work?
10. Did the documentary influence how you think decisions are made in the U.S. government? Explain.