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Use this week's issue of TIME for Kids (Edition 3–4) to answer the questions. For each question, circle the letter next to the best answer.

RI.3.1; RI.4.1

- 1.** What is one reason midterm elections are held?
- A. to pick a new president
 - B. to elect members of Congress
 - C. to choose presidential candidates for each party
 - D. all of the above

RI.3.1; RI.4.1

- 2.** When are midterm elections held?
- A. in the first year of a president's four-year term
 - B. in the second year of a president's four-year term
 - C. in the third year of a president's four-year term
 - D. in the last year of a president's four-year term

RI.3.4; RI.4.4

- 3.** Republicans have a majority in both chambers of Congress (see paragraphs 2 and 3). This means they have
- A. more members than Democrats have.
 - B. fewer members than Democrats have.
 - C. older members than Democrats have.
 - D. wiser members than Democrats have.

RI.3.3; RI.4.3

- 4.** How would losing the majority in Congress affect Republicans?
- A. It would remove their power.
 - B. It would increase their power.
 - C. It would reduce their power.
 - D. It would have no effect on their power.

RI.3.1; RI.4.1

- 5.** How many seats do Democrats need to gain a majority in the House?
- A. 23 seats
 - B. 218 seats
 - C. 35 seats
 - D. 435 seats

RI.3.7; RI.4.7

- 6.** If elected, who would become the youngest woman in Congress?
- A. Stacey Abrams
 - B. Beto O'Rourke's wife
 - C. Martha McSally
 - D. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez

RI.3.4; RI.4.4

- 7.** Which word most closely means fired up, in the subheading?
- A. exhausted
 - B. defeated
 - C. enthusiastic
 - D. discouraged

RI.3.8; RI.4.8

- 8.** Which statement supports the claim that Democrats are fired up?
- A. It is too soon to tell how the midterms will shape the 2020 presidential election.
 - B. Republican voters are motivated to show their support on Election Day.
 - C. A record 257 women are running for the House and Senate. Most are Democrats.
 - D. Polls show more Texans are likely to stick with [Ted] Cruz.

RI.3.7; RI.4.7

- 9.** Based on the photos, which skills would be most useful for campaigning?
- A. computer skills
 - B. writing skills
 - C. organizational skills
 - D. public speaking skills

RI.3.2; RI.4.2

- 10.** This story is mainly about
- A. the Republican Party's plan to keep control of Congress.
 - B. how midterm results could shift the balance of power in Congress.
 - C. the Texas Senate race.
 - D. the 2020 presidential election.

Bonus Why is the article titled "Decision Time"? Who is making a decision? Why is this decision important?