

# The New Face of Congress Activities

B1 B1+ B2



## A. Her private life

### 1. Read and fill in the ID

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Origins: \_\_\_\_\_

Jobs (before Nov 2018 // after Nov 2018) : \_\_\_\_\_

Social background: \_\_\_\_\_

Date and place of birth (age) : \_\_\_\_\_

School / Studies : \_\_\_\_\_

### 2. What happened when she was 19? Consequences? Make sentences using link words to explain the situation.

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## B. Politics

### 1. The Democratic Primary

a. Date / period: \_\_\_\_\_

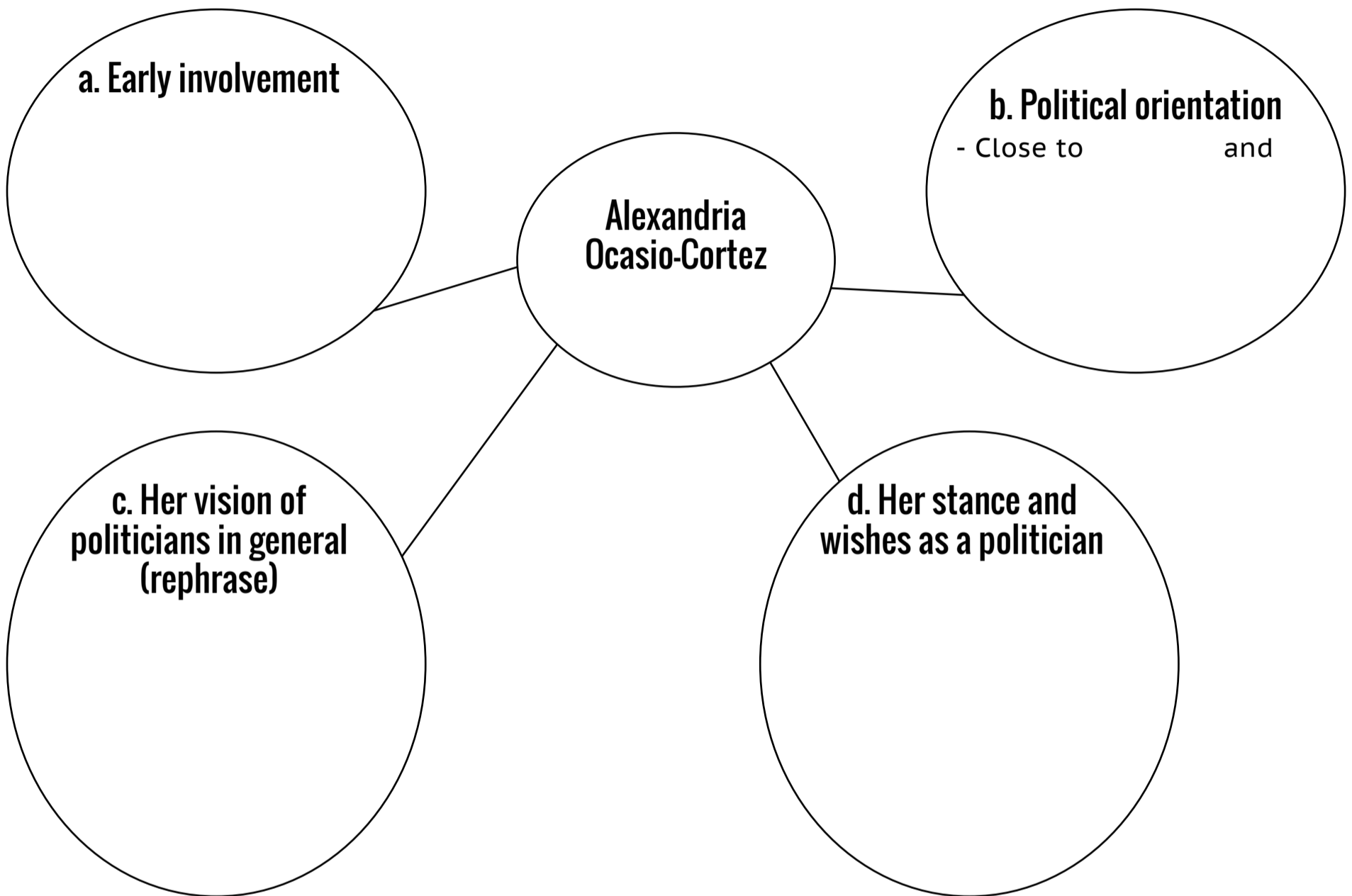
b. Fill in the grid :

<b>Names</b>		
<b>Budget</b>		
<b>Experience in politics</b>		
<b>Support</b>		
<b>Winner + consequences</b>		

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## 2. Ocasio-Cortez and Politics

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## 3. The New Obama

Compare and contrast Ocasio-Cortez and Obama using link words: unlike / contrary to / whereas / on the contrary...

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### C. The Language of Power

There are lots of words in the article about political power. Read the article again and highlight the words about politics. Now organise them into these columns :

People of power	Places of power	Forms of power (the verbs, adjectives, types of election)

#### Political Differences

Three connected words. Do you know the differences?

**politics** = the subject of government; a person or party's political philosophy

**politician** = a person who is elected to office (or is a candidate)

**policy** = a specific thing a politician wants to do (for example: reduce taxes, employ more teachers or develop public transport.)



**Your Turn!**

**Let's debate!**

Watch Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez's campaign video. <https://youtu.be/rq3QXIVR0bs>  
Take notes about the key points.

You live in NYC and you've just watched the video. You think she is the right person to represent you in Congress (because she is from the same background, she knows what she's talking about...). Your best friend has just watched it too but (s)he doesn't agree with you (no experience, sounds "fake" when she says "we"...).

You debate in pairs