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***Influencing the Government***

**VIDEO VIEWING GUIDE**

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| **Question** | **List Specific Evidence from the Video** | **Complete Sentence** |
| **1.** What does it mean to ‘influence the government’? |  |  |
| **2.** Which rights in the First Amendment impact our ability to influence the government? |  |  |
| **3.** What kinds of media can be used to monitor and influence the government? |  |  |
| **4.** How does the First Amendment play a role in monitoring and influencing the government? |  |  |
| **5.** How is the media like a watchdog in monitoring the government? |  |  |
| **6.** What are three ways that the media can monitor the government? |  |  |
| **7.** What are four ways that individuals can monitor and influence the government? |  |  |
| **8.** What is the purpose of an interest group? |  |  |
| **9.** Describe the relationship between Political Action Committees (PACs) and lobbyists. |  |  |
| **10.** In what ways do interest groups work to influence the government? |  |  |
| **11.** What is the impact of individuals, interest groups, and the media on government? |  |  |