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Complete the text with the correct prepositions:

The Current Political Landscape in the United States

The political climate ____ (1) the United States has been highly polarised ____ (2) the past few years. A significant number ____ (3) citizens remain divided ____ (4) key issues such as healthcare, immigration, and gun control. This division is often reflected ____ (5) the rhetoric used by political leaders and amplified ____ (6) media outlets, both traditional and social.

____ (7) recent years, the topic of immigration has become a major point of contention. The U.S. Government has imposed stricter regulations ____ (8) those seeking asylum, and there have been debates ____ (9) the construction of a border wall ____ (10) the southern U.S.-Mexico border. Critics argue that these policies discriminate ____ (11) immigrants and fail to address the root causes ____ (12) migration, while supporters claim that the measures are necessary ____ (13) maintaining national security.

Another pressing issue ____ (14) the U.S. is healthcare. Discussions ____ (15) healthcare reform have been ongoing ____ (16) years, with both political parties proposing different solutions. The Affordable Care Act (ACA), introduced ____ (17) former President Barack Obama, remains a central topic ____ (18) this debate. While many Americans have benefited ____ (19) the ACA, others feel burdened ____ (20) the costs and limited options it sometimes presents. This ongoing debate is likely to play a key role ____ (21) the next election cycle.

Gun control is another issue that has sparked intense debate. Following a series of mass shootings, many Americans are calling ____ (22) stricter gun regulations. Advocates ____ (23) gun control want more background checks and limitations ____ (24) the sale of firearms. However, opponents argue that such measures infringe ____ (25) their constitutional right ____ (26) bear arms, as guaranteed ____ (27) the Second Amendment. The National Rifle Association (NRA) continues to exert significant influence ____ (28) gun legislation.

Climate change has also become a major focus ____ (29) both the government and the public. Many Americans are growing increasingly concerned ____ (30) the future of the environment and are demanding action ____ (31) climate change. President Joe Biden's administration has rejoined the Paris Agreement, an international accord aimed ____ (32) reducing global carbon emissions. However, there remains significant opposition ____ (33) environmental regulations ____ (34) industries that rely heavily ____ (35) fossil fuels, such as coal and oil.

Looking ____ (36) the upcoming elections, the economy will undoubtedly be another significant factor. Voters are concerned ____ (37) inflation, unemployment, and the national debt. The COVID-19 pandemic has exacerbated many of these issues, leading ____ (38) increased government spending and concerns ____ (39) the long-term effects on the nation's finances. Additionally, many voters are watching closely to see how the Federal Reserve handles interest rates ____ (40) the coming months.



International relations also remain a key topic. The U.S. continues to face challenges ____ (41) its relationships ____ (42) major global powers like China and Russia. There have been ongoing discussions ____ (43) trade policies, cybersecurity threats, and military alliances. Many Americans are divided ____ (44) how the country should approach these complex issues, especially ____ (45) light of the ongoing conflict in Ukraine and tensions ____ (46) Taiwan. ____ (47) conclusion, the political situation ____ (48) the U.S. remains highly complex and dynamic. As the nation approaches the next election cycle, these issues will likely continue ____ (49) dominate the political discourse and shape the decisions ____ (50) voters across the country.

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