1. According to the polls, which issues do most people think are important for the government to address? (At the above website, scroll down to “Issues” & select; then select “Problems & Priorities.”)

2. According to the polls, which issues are not as important? Why do you think this is?

3. If you were running for office in the next election, which 2 main issues would YOU address in your platform? What would you propose to do about them?
   
   a. 
   
   b. 

4. According to the polls, what are the attitudes toward current candidates in Colorado? Which organization(s) conducted the poll(s), & describe the results:
   
   a. Hickenlooper v. Beuprez
   
   b. Udall v. Gardner
   
   c. Lamborn v. Halter

5. According to the polls, what is the favorability rating of the President? Give a couple of examples, tell which organizations conducted the polls, & describe the results.

6. According to the polls, does the public think Democrats in Congress are doing a good job? Give a couple of examples, tell which organizations conducted the polls, & describe the results.
7. According to the polls, does the public think Republicans in Congress are doing a good job? Give a couple of examples, tell which organizations conducted the polls, & describe the results.

8. How does phrasing the question affect poll results? Give a couple of specific examples from polls on the web to explain your answer.

9. Should public opinion polls be used in setting the policy agenda? How? (Read pg. 462-463 before responding.)

10. What are the dangers in using public opinion polls in establishing public policy? (Read pg. 463 before responding.)

11. Critique a specific poll according to what you know about conducting reliable polls. Describe the poll & tell which organization conducted it in addition to your critique. Be thorough.