

Discussion Questions for *Anytown, USA*

1. Compared with other documentary films you have seen, do you find anything unique about this one? If so, please explain.
2. How would you characterize the tone of this film?
3. Do you find any difference in the way the film introduces and portrays the individual candidates in terms of style via framing, camera angle, lighting, editing, etc.?
4. Among the three candidates, who do you think should be considered the true protagonist of this film and why?
5. Do you think this film tries to convey a specific message to its audience? If so, what would the message be?
6. How do you think this film's tagline, "All politics is local," can be related to the content of the film?
7. Why do you think the filmmakers juxtapose the winning streak of Bogota High Football team with the main narrative centering on the election?
8. What kind of emotional response did you have watching the conclusion of this film?
9. Did this film change any ideas or opinions you had about local politics?
10. Compare and contrast the *Anytown* election race to a recent national election.