Across
9. a system in which several major and many lesser parties exist, seriously compete for, and actually win, public offices
10. concentrate on only public-policy matter
11. have been rooted in periods of economic discontent; have not had a clear ideological base

Down
1. based on a particular set of beliefs— a comprehensive view of social, economic, or political matters
2. a political party without wide support
3. those that have split away from one of the major parties
4. A group of persons who seek control of government through the winning of elections and holding of public office
5. either democrat or republican nation
6. when two major parties find common ground and work together
7. firm allegiance to a political party is the basis for government action
8. republican & democratic parties