

# Aaron Sorkin Compares Joe Biden's Withdrawal to 'West Wing' Scene

## Description

Stars from the popular TV show *The West Wing* gathered in the real Oval Office today for a special celebration at the White House Rose Garden. The event marked the show's 25th anniversary and was attended by about 200 guests.

First Lady Jill Biden welcomed the cast members, including Martin Sheen who played President Bartlet. Sheen expressed his gratitude for the opportunity to revisit his iconic character, which he described as life-changing. He then shared an inspirational Irish story with the audience.

Creator Aaron Sorkin addressed critics who claimed the show presented an unrealistic version of the White House. He defended the series as idealistic, aspirational, and romantic, highlighting moments of statesmanship that do occur in real life.

Sorkin recounted a recent event where he suggested Democrats nominate Mitt Romney as a show of unity, mirroring a plotline from *The West Wing*. After Biden's withdrawal, he endorsed Kamala Harris.

Other cast members in attendance included Richard Schiff, Dulé Hill, Janel Moloney, and Mary McCormack. The East Wing entrance featured a nod to a famous *West Wing* episode involving a big block of cheese, a tradition from President Andrew Jackson.

Some actors, like Rob Lowe and Allison Janney, were unable to attend due to work commitments. Despite this, the gathering was a memorable tribute to the enduring legacy of *The West Wing*.

## Vocabulary List:

1. **Celebration** /'sel.e'bret,ʃən/ (noun): The action of marking one's pleasure at an important event or occasion.
2. **Gratitude** /'græt.i.tu:d/ (noun): The quality of being thankful; readiness to show appreciation for and to return kindness.
3. **Unrealistic** /ʌn.rɪə'lɪs.tɪk/ (adjective): Not guided by or based on practical considerations; impractical.
4. **Aspirational** /æspə'reɪʃənəl/ (adjective): Having a strong desire for success or achievement.
5. **Statesmanship** /'steɪts.mən.ʃɪp/ (noun): The skill or practice of managing political affairs; the conduct of public affairs.
6. **Legacy** /'lɛg.ə.si/ (noun): Something handed down by a predecessor particularly in terms of ideas or achievements.

## Vocabulary quizzes

**Multiple Choice ( Select the Correct answer for each question. )**

1. What is a particular area in which someone has specialized knowledge or skill?

- Option: Comprehensive
- Option: Setback
- Option: Specialty
- Option: Competitive

2. What is a literary work film or broadcast that continues the story of a previous work?

- Option: Celebration
- Option: Sequel
- Option: Documentary
- Option: Tragic

3. What is the fact or condition of being addicted to a particular substance or activity?

- Option: Struggles
- Option: Hurricane
- Option: Addiction
- Option: Surge

4. What is a serious unexpected and often dangerous situation requiring immediate action?

- Option: Operational
- Option: Legacy
- Option: Emergency
- Option: Impact

5. What refers to something that is inspired by goals desires or ambitions?

- Option: Popularity
- Option: Unrealistic
- Option: Aspirational
- Option: Statesmanship

6. What relates to or is made in one's own country?

- Option: Celebration
- Option: Notable
- Option: Domestic
- Option: Gratitude

7. What is something left or handed down by a predecessor?

- Option: Specialty
- Option: Legacy
- Option: Preparation



Option: Accidental

8. What is the state of being liked admired or supported by many people?

Option: Struggles

Option: Popularity

Option: Acclaim

Option: Competitive

9. What is a sudden powerful forward or upward movement especially by a crowd or natural force?

Option: Competitive

Option: Surge

Option: Foray

Option: Specialty

10. What are evil spirits or devils especially ones believed to possess a person or act as a tormentor?

Option: Demons

Option: Notable

Option: Tragic

Option: Hurricane

**Gap-Fill ( Fill in the blanks with the correct word from the vocabulary list. )**

11. A \_\_\_\_\_ study was conducted to analyze all aspects of the issue.

12. The new policy had a significant \_\_\_\_\_ on the economy.

13. Proper \_\_\_\_\_ is key to success in any endeavor.

14. She made a \_\_\_\_\_ contribution to the field of science.

15. The team's victory was followed by a joyous \_\_\_\_\_.

16. She expressed her \_\_\_\_\_ for the support she received.

17. Despite his \_\_\_\_\_ he never gave up on his dreams.

18. The sudden turn of events was quite \_\_\_\_\_.

19. The market is highly \_\_\_\_\_ with many players vying for the top spot.

20. The damage to the car was merely \_\_\_\_\_ and not intentional.

**Matching Sentences ( Match each definition to the correct word from the vocabulary list. )**

21. The company made its first into the software industry.
22. The artist received critical for her latest masterpiece.
23. In a market innovation is key to staying ahead.
24. The Caribbean islands were hit by a devastating .
25. The shed light on the lives of endangered species in the wild.
26. His contributions to the field were and widely recognized.
27. The family sought to preserve their grandfather's by continuing his philanthropic work.
28. The campaign aimed to inspire a more approach to personal growth.
29. His diplomatic skills and were widely praised in international circles.
30. The novel told the tale of star-crossed lovers.

**Answer**

**Multiple Choice:** 1. Specialty 2. Sequel 3. Addiction 4. Emergency 5. Aspirational 6. Domestic 7. Legacy 8. Popularity 9. Surge 10. Demons

**Gap-Fill:** 11. comprehensive 12. impact 13. preparation 14. notable 15. celebration 16. gratitude 17. struggles 18. unexpected 19. competitive 20. accidental

**Matching sentence:** 1. foray 2. acclaim 3. competitive 4. hurricane 5. documentary 6. notable 7. legacy 8. aspirational 9. statesmanship 10. tragic

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