

# Democrats & Republicans Agree: SARAH PALIN IS JUST **NOT QUALIFIED**



"I don't think she is qualified to be president." -David Brooks ▪ "...so clearly unqualified for high office that **the thought of her stepping into the presidency is frightening.**" -Kansas City Star ▪ "...the Palin candidacy is a symptom and expression of a new vulgarization in American politics. ...it is a mark against John McCain, against his judgment and idealism." -Peggy Noonan ▪ "...obviously not qualified to be President," -George Will ▪ "Gov. Palin **appears to know little about the issues** and simply is not qualified to be commander in chief." -Miami Herald ▪ "Sarah Palin ['s] ...lack of knowledge to take over as president has become increasingly obvious and embarrassing." -Pittsburg Post Gazette ▪ "...she is not prepared to step in at a moment's notice and serve as president." -Chicago Tribune ▪ "...a person **utterly unprepared for the high post in question.**" -Atlanta Journal Constitution ▪ "McCain chose Sarah Palin to preside a heartbeat away. ... That ... was akin to praise for FEMA for a job well done on Hurricane Katrina. That is our tipping point in this race." -Naples Daily News ▪ "Sarah Palin is an embarrassment, and a dangerous one at that." -Christopher Buckley ▪ "Can she only speak in sound bites? Does she have any knowledge of the nuances of the situation [in Israel]?" -Deborah Lipstadt ▪ **"...you need somebody that actually knows what they are doing."** -Madeline Albright ▪ "...Irresponsible selection of a running mate who is not ready to be president." -The Washington Post ▪ "Palin is utterly unprepared for the job he offered – let alone the one that might fall to her." -Cleveland Plain Dealer ▪ "McCain disgraced himself by choosing her and ... **she is not worthy to hold the vice presidency.**" -Ed Koch ▪ "I could never have trusted Sarah Palin to serve as vice president, to say nothing of her serving as numero uno." -Marty Peretz ▪ "Not only is Sarah Palin not close to being acceptable in high office—I would not have her for even a mid-level post in the arms-control agency." -Ken Adelman ▪ "I think it's a stretch to, in any way, to say that she's got the experience to be president of the United States" -Sen. Chuck Hagel ▪ "Palin is **the most unqualified vice presidential nominee of a major party in living memory.**" -Los Angeles Times ▪ "Palin has no business being the backup to a President of any age" -The New Yorker



**"I don't believe she's ready to be president of the United States ... so that raised some question in my mind as to the judgment that Senator McCain made." -Colin Powell**

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