After the Swift & Clooney texts, and the research by the students, show the **BET Awards video** (Taraji Henson & Kamala Harris).

- Watch this video twice and take notes. Try to explain the context in which it came out and who we see in it. Also, try to list the issues tackled and their solutions.

June 30, 2024, BET Awards (American award show that was established in 2001 by the Black Entertainment Television network to celebrate Black entertainers and other minorities in music, film, sports and philanthropy).

Fake video / acting skit / promotional clip between the presenter of the show, actor Taraji P. Henson and Vice-President Harris. They are pretending to be on a phone call, discussing how worried they are about the upcoming election. The actor is backstage in her dressing-room, while Kamala Harris is in her office.

## Issues discussed:

- Women's reproductive rights
- The Supreme Court
- People's basic freedoms and equality (freedom to vote, to love who you love, to be safe from gun violence, the freedom for a woman to make decisions about her own body without having the government tell them what to do)
- They're trying to take away Pride, Plan B and Planned Parenthood, but protecting pistols ('they pushing the wrong P's).
- They want to turn back the clock on hard-fought progress.

## Solutions:

- Fight for our freedoms
- Get our families, friends, co-workers to register to vote ('go to vote.gov') and head to the ballot box on November 5<sup>th</sup>.
- Do you know anything about the issues mentioned?

Abortion Supreme Court Gun rights

- **Do you know any other key issue that will have a major impact on the election?** Immigration

- Cartoon: describe and explain (à donner en homework pour les MP\*-MPI\*, en 120 mots max).



On the right-hand side, we can see Donald Trump riding a surfboard atop a huge wave. The latter bears the word "Migrants" and is actually full of people. Just below, we can see the US border wall/fence.

On the left-hand side, we can see a donkey and an elephant, both wearing suits. We understand they represent US politicians.

The Democratic donkey is trying to get the Republican elephant to agree to a border deal, but the Republican wants to wait, as this is bringing success to Donald Trump.

This is both a criticism of Democrats' inaction on immigration, but also of Republicans' opportunism, who want to use this hot-button issue to get their candidate reelected.

- Distribuer the Biden-Harris immigration policy