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AP American Government

Executive Branch Questions

1. Explain how a parliamentary system works. Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of such a system.
2. Executive Branch in the Constitution-
3. Formal Qualifications
4. Presidential Powers-Create a chart showing the president’s legislative, executive, judicial, military and diplomatic powers.
5. Electoral College
6. Removal
7. List and explain the 12th Amendment, 20th Amendment, 22nd Amendment
8. State of the Union
9. The Ordinance Power
10. Explain the Framers’ perspective of the Executive Branch.
11. Explain presidential succession, and discuss the order of succession (Amendment). Why did it take so long?
12. Examine two constitutional amendments that significantly affected the vice-presidency.
13. In detail, list and explain the growth of presidential power. If the Framers saw our government today, would they be happy with the Executive Branch?
14. Create a chart and explain the structure and function of the White House Staff.
15. Define Executive Order, Executive Privilege, and the War Powers Resolution.
16. Chief Diplomat- Explain the President’s tools in foreign policy. Give a specific current event that shows one of the tools.
17. Chief Legislator-Explain the President’s tools in lawmaking. Explain both the formal and informal powers.
18. Outline and explain the entire Presidential Election process. Be sure to include finances, party structure, a timeline, the convention, primary, caucus, general election, and electoral college.
19. Create chart or list and explain every component of the EOP, cabinet/departments, and the three types of independent agencies (with examples). Be sure to know the function of each specific area.
20. Explain how the House and Senate interact with the executive branch. Dig deep!
21. Define Iron Triangle. Explain the goal of each group.