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GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS
US Government and Politics
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Morning
Time: 1 hour 30 minutes

Additional materials: Answer Booklet (8 pages)



INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Write your name, Centre number and candidate number in the spaces on the answer booklet.
- Write your answers, in blue or black ink, in the answer booklet provided.
- Answer **three** questions.
- Read each question carefully and make sure you know what you have to do before starting your answer.
- Answers should be written in continuous prose.
- If you use additional sheets of paper, fasten these securely to the answer booklet.
- Write the numbers of the questions you answer on the front of your answer booklet.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

- The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question.
- The total number of marks for this paper is **90**.
- You will be awarded marks for the quality of written communication including clarity of expression, structure and presentation of ideas, spelling, punctuation and grammar.

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Answer **three** questions.

- 1 Discuss the principal weaknesses of the Electoral College. [30]
- 2 Discuss the view that political parties are no longer of major importance in American politics. [30]
- 3 Analyse the factors most likely to bring success to pressure groups. [30]
- 4 Discuss whether American government is best described as a system of 'separated powers' or 'shared powers'. [30]
- 5 Examine the reasons why Congress rejects more legislation than it passes. [30]
- 6 Assess the importance of the president's cabinet. [30]
- 7 Evaluate the role played by the Supreme Court in protecting rights and liberties. [30]
- 8 Analyse the most important factors which determine the way people vote in presidential elections. [30]

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