Political Science Finals

Regulation Tossups

(1) The title of this book was inspired by a sermon delivered by Jeremiah Wright after Wright attended a lecture on a G.F. Watt painting. The author of this book notes how he could not support a war that was "dumb [and] rash" and claims that "America [*] is big enough to accommodate all their dreams." Written over a decade after its author published his memoir *Dreams from My Father*, this work challenges the "politics of cynicism" that its author noted in a speech given while a senator in (*) Illinois. For the points, name this work outlining the beliefs of Barack Obama.

ANSWER: The *Audacity of Hope*: Thoughts on Reclaiming the American Dream

In this country, the Ibizagate scandal damaged the reputation of the Freedom Party, which was led at the time by H.C. Strache (STRAH-keh). A politician who first became the head of government of this country at age 31 resigned after prosecutors raided his offices in a corruption probe in (+) October 2021. Alexander van der Bellen, the current president of this country, is Europe's first directly elected head of state to hail from a (*) Green Party. For the points, name this country, formerly led by Sebastian Kurz, which has maintained nominal political neutrality since 1955, though it is an EU member state, unlike neighboring Switzerland.

ANSWER: Republic of **Austria** (or Republik **Österreich**)

(3) This activist denounced Rockefeller Republicans in the Northeast in the publication A Choice Not an Echo, which was distributed in support of Barry Goldwater's 1964 presidential campaign. This activist used the slogan "I am for (+) Mom and apple pie" during one campaign, and her son Andrew founded Conservapedia. This lawyer led a movement to "Stop Taking Our Privileges" in opposition to legislation that would remove (*) gender-specific privileges. For the points, name this conservative founder of the Eagle Forum who led resistance to the Equal Rights Amendment.

ANSWER: Phyllis **Schlafly** (or Phyllis Stewart **Schlafly**)

The South African division of this company suffered a data breach after hackers from Brazil were able to gain access to servers using the password "Password." This company was accused by the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau of utilizing (+) "dark patterns" to dupe consumers into spending more money. The director of CFPB called this company "an out-of-control repeat offender" as the agency sued the company for engaging in (*) "deceptive marketing." For the points, identify this company that partly makes up the "Big Three" credit agencies with Equifax and Experian.

ANSWER: **TransUnion**

This woman, who wrote about her experiences in *Equal Justice Under Law*, won the NAACP's Spingarn Medal in 2003. This woman, who served as a state senator in New York from 1964 to 1965, was the first Black (*) woman to argue a case before the United States Supreme Court. This woman successfully represented James Meredith in *Meredith v. Fair*, which allowed her client to become the first Black man to attend the University of (*) Mississippi. For the points, name this first Black woman to serve as a federal judge.

ANSWER: Constance Baker Motlev

Ouring one of these events, a time capsule was buried during the construction of a footbridge in San Narciso. These annual events began after the closure of U.S. military bases, including Naval Base Subic Bay, via the Visiting (+) Forces Agreement. These exercises have contributed to armed efforts to root out terrorist groups like Abu Sayyaf and Jemaah Islamiyah in Jolo and Basilan. For the points, name these annual military exercises, often considered the cornerstone of (*) Philippines-U.S. military relations, whose name translates to "shoulder-to-shoulder."

ANSWER: Exercise **Balikatan** (accept **Shoulder-to-Shoulder** before mentioned)

Act to establish penalties for robocalling. This senator was elected in the most expensive race of (+) 2004 after losing a contest in the previous election by 524 votes. This man rose from conference chair to a higher leadership position in 2018 after John (*) Cornyn was term-limited from continuing to serve. For the points, name this South Dakotan who defeated Tom Daschle [[DAH-shehl]] and served as whip under Mitch McConnell.

ANSWER: John **Thune** (or John Randolph **Thune**)

(8) Following this case, its target told the majority opinion author "I don't much care for your law, but, by golly, this bourbon is good." Justice Robert (+) Jackson wrote a concurring opinion in this case that laid out three categories of a central concept. A directive to the Secretary of Commerce gave rise to this case, which found that military powers did not take precedent over the powers of government. The seizure of mills by Harry (*) Truman prompted this case that tested the powers of the presidency. For the points, name this case involving the taking of steel mills.

ANSWER: **Youngstown** Sheet and Tube Co. v. Sawyer (accept **Youngstown** Steel Case; accept **Steel Seizure** case before "Steel" is mentioned)

(9) Because geographic mobility has declined, this book suggests its central finding is only partially explained by the "re-potting hypothesis." This work contradicts an assumption of its author's book *Making Democracy* (*) *Work* that a tradition of civic engagement is durable over time. This book argues that "tertiary" associations, in favor of "secondary" ones where people directly know each other, reflect a "decline in civic (*) engagement." For the points, name this book about social capital by political scientist Robert Putnam, whose title activity is done solo and in "alleys."

ANSWER: **Bowling Alone**

(10) This man coined the phrase "rule of the rustics" to describe politics in the U.S. state of Georgia under the influence of the Talmadge family. A 1955 work by this man identified the 1896 and 1928 presidential elections as (+) "critical elections" that reshaped electoral divisions. Another work by this man coined the term "friends and neighbors" to describe voting patterns based on (*) candidates' local roots. For the points, name this scholar who wrote *The Responsible Electorate* and *Southern Politics in State and Nation*.

ANSWER: V. O. **Key** Jr. (or Valdimer Orlando **Key** Jr.)

This legislature supported the "pirate radio" station, Radio Caroline, and attempted to exclude it from the Marine Broadcasting Offences Act. Extinction Rebellion activists were expelled from this legislature's public viewing gallery for refusing to sit down in protest of the government's (+) inactivity on climate change. The two branches of this legislature gather annually in an outdoor session at St. John's. Comprising the House of (*) Keys and the Legislative Council, this is, for the points, what possibly "oldest continuous parliament" that operates on the Isle of Man?

ANSWER: **Tynwald** (or the High Court of **Tynwald**; or **Tynwald** Court)

(12) This man criticized Social Security by commenting on Noah's advanced age in the Bible at the time of building the ark. This former House member won a special election in 2017 to replace (+) Ryan Zinke and once employed Steve Daines in one of his companies. Donald Trump said about this governor that "any guy who can do a body (*) slam is my kind of guy." For the points, name this governor of Montana who pled guilty to assaulting a reporter from *The Guardian*.

ANSWER: Greg **Gianforte** (or Gregory Richard **Gianforte**)

(13) This author discussed the origin of the Eurocentric global order, which he dates to the discovery of the New World, in the book *The Nomos of the Earth*. This author noted that "The political enemy need not be morally evil or (+) aesthetically ugly" but is "nevertheless, the other, the stranger" in a book claiming that politics is founded on an ideology-neutral distinction between friend and enemy. This philosopher, who conducted a dialogue with Leo Strauss, worked in Hans Frank's Academy for (*) German Law. For the points, name this author of *The Concept of the Political*, often dubbed the "Nazi philosopher."

ANSWER: Carl Schmitt

(14) Workers for one of these larger organizations put up "Wanted" posters with the face of the founder of Daewoo, who fled to Vietnam after going bankrupt. On Liberation Day, the president of one country often forgives chairmen of these businesses, which include (+) CJ Group, who have been accused of embezzlement and tax evasion. In 1988, the president of one of these conglomerates, Chung mong-joon, successfully ran for the National Assembly, and 11 of the 30 largest of these conglomerates collapsed in the 1997 (*) Asian financial crisis. SK Group and LG Group are examples of, for the points, what powerful South Korean conglomerates?

ANSWER: **Chaebol**s (prompt on "Rich Familyies")

(15) This method was described as "either a congressional perk that looks a lot like someone campaigning with tax dollars [or a] constituent service responsibility" by former congressman Rob (+) Woodall. Bob Dole introduced a 1973 bill that prohibits members of Congress from soliciting money through this method. The "blackout rules" imposed by the Committee on (*) House Administration prohibits the use of this method less than 90 days prior to an election. For the points, name this "privilege" that allows members of Congress to send mail without a postage stamp.

ANSWER: Franking

This man succeeded Jean-Claude Trichet in one position and signed the Quirinal Treaty with France. This man was invited by Sergio Mattarella to form a government after the resignation of the leader of the Five Star Movement. As president of the European (+) Central Bank, this man oversaw the introduction of the Europa Series of banknotes and ably handled the European Debt crisis, leading to some in the media nicknaming him "Super (*) Mario." For the points, name this former head of the European Central Bank who succeeded Giuseppe Conte as Prime Minister of Italy in 2021.

ANSWER: Mario **<u>Draghi</u>** (accept **<u>Super Mario</u>** before read)

(17) A member of this group who later advocated for economic liberalism wrote Reflections on the Formation and Distribution of Wealth. The founder of this group was often considered the "Confucius of Europe" for his writings on the Chinese imperial system. This group's foundational model was the (*) Economic Table, which argued that agricultural surpluses were the real economic movers. This group was led by thinkers such as Anne-Robert-Jacques Turgot [["tour"-GOH]] and Francois (*) Quesnay. For the points, name this group of Enlightenment French economists who stressed individualism and laissez-faire policies.

ANSWER: **Physiocrats** (accept word forms like **Physiocracy**)

[18] In 1946, this politician published a biography of scientist Robert Bosch. After working for a publication titled "The Aid," this man became editor-in-chief of the "Neckar Newspaper" in 1912. A number of books written by this one-time leader of the (+) FDP were burned during the Nazi regime, and this man defeated Kurt Schumacher to take his highest post. This man's serious demeanor was often contrasted with that of his country's chancellor, Konrad Adenauer. Elected at the inaugural (*) Bundestag, this is, for the points, what first president of West Germany?

ANSWER: Theodor **Heuss**

(19) A current president with this surname was a military officer in Operations Strike Hard and Vadamarachi. Angry locals blocked a road and demanded fuel when a politician with this surname arrived at a stadium opening ceremony in Bandarawela. Then-foreign minister Mangala (+) Samaraweera discovered that a family with this surname held \$18 billion in foreign assets, which contributed to 2022 protests against daily blackouts and severe inflation. On April 3rd, all 26 members of the (*) cabinet of a president with this surname resigned. For the points, give this surname of politicians Mahinda and Gotabaya, who both led Sri Lanka.

ANSWER: <u>Rajapaksa</u> (accept Mahinda <u>Rajapaksha</u>; or Gotabaya <u>Rajapaksa</u>; or Namal <u>Rajapaksa</u>)

(20) Before joining Foreign Policy, an editor of this publication named Michael Hirsh resigned after publishing the address of Richard Spencer. In January 2022, this publication incorrectly reported that Sonia (+) Sotomayor had dinner with leading Democrats. German publisher Axel Springer SE bought this publication, which controversially featured Ben Shapiro as a guest writer for its Playbook newsletter in defending House Republicans who opposed impeaching (*) Trump. For the points, name this Arlington-based publication named for the type of news it covers.

ANSWER: **Politico**

This man was called a "Nazi apostate from Judaism" in Bnei Brak after criticizing a prime minister for weakening the gatekeepers of democracy. A Haredi mother of eleven served as campaign adviser and chief of staff for this president, whose father. (+) Yosef, created the first Hebrew edition of the Qu'ran. This president served as Speaker of the Knesset under Shimon Peres, his predecessor, and Isaac Herzog succeeded this president, who often clashed with prime minister Benjamin (*) Netanyahu. For the points, name this former president of Israel whose term ended in 2021.

ANSWER: Reuven "Ruvi" Rivlin

[22] In an investigation of this organization, Jim Oberstar said there was a "culture of coziness" between officials that resulted in "malfeasance, bordering on corruption." Oklahoma Senator Mike Monroney sponsored the 1958 act that created this organization, whose (+) ATO division was launched in 2000 by Bill Clinton. This organization began work in 2007 on improvements to NextGen, which uses ADS-B surveillance, and this organization drew criticism for changing the application process for air traffic (*) controllers. For the points, name this transportation agency that oversees flights.

ANSWER: Federal Aviation Administration (or FAA)

This justice authored a majority opinion in a case that found that a Chicago ordinance banning rhetoric which "stirs the public to anger [and] invites dispute" is unconstitutional. In addition to the aforementioned (*) Terminiello case and the majority opinion in Brandenburg v. Ohio, this justice authored an opinion in which he stated that "trees have standing." Replaced by John Paul (*) Stevens, this is, for the points, what longest-serving Supreme Court justice?

ANSWER: William O(rville) **Douglas**

Regarding the rights of this clause, Senator Jacob Howard quipped that "the Supreme Court has [n]ever undertaken to define either [their] nature or extent." In Corfield v. (*) Coryell, which concerned oyster fishing for non-residents, Justice Bushrod Washington wrote that this clause's protections are confined to those that are "in their nature, fundamental." The right of interstate travel is associated with this clause, which is found in (*) Article IV, Section 2. For the points, name this clause that prevents a state from discriminating against citizens of other states.

ANSWER: <u>Privileges and Immunities</u> Clause (accept <u>Article IV, Section 2, Clause 1</u>; do not accept "Privileges or Immunities Clause")

This person defeated Ruth Galanter to become the youngest president of the Los Angeles City Council and won a 2014 election to succeed Debra Bowen as secretary of state. Shirley (+) Weber succeeded this politician in one position, and this man was appointed to fill another position in 2021, making this man the first male U.S. senator from his state since Alan (*) Cranston's retirement in 1992. For the points, name this politician who succeeded Kamala Harris to become the first Hispanic U.S. Senator from California.

ANSWER: Alex **Padilla** [[pah-DEE-yah]] (or Alejandro **Padilla**)

These objects were the focus of a 2021 act sponsored by Congressman Adriano Espaillat, designated as H.R. 1454. In a tweet, Congressman Thomas Massie defended the existence of these objects by citing (+) Article 1, Section 1 of the Constitution, with a reminder that "Congress makes laws." In a speech regarding regulations of these objects, Joe Biden remarked, "If you buy a couch you have to assemble, it's still a (*) couch." For the points, name these untraceable, privately assembled firearms that lack serial numbers.

ANSWER: **Ghost Guns** (accept similar answers to **Untraceable Guns** or **Homemade Guns** or **Privately Made Guns** before mentioned)

[27] In September 2020, this man signed a Necessity and Urgency Decree establishing a 1% employment quota for trans and travesti people in the national public sector. Jair [[HA-"ear"]] Bolsonaro refused to attend this man's inauguration and accused him of creating a "great (+) Bolivarian homeland" on his country's border. This politician, a member of the Justicialist Party, defeated incumbent Mauricio Macri in 2019. Cristina Fernández de (*) Kirchner serves as the vice president for, for the points, what current president of Argentina?

ANSWER: Alberto Ángel Fernández

This man once famously claimed that he had no intention of "counting the buttons on another man's coat tails." O.C. Fisher claimed that the word "spit" was used to censor the word (+) "piss" in a statement attributed to this man in which he said that the highest-ranking office he held was not worth a "warm bucket of" the aforementioned liquid. A one-time Speaker of the House, this man later succeeded Henry A. Wallace in his highest post. Nicknamed "Cactus (*) Jack," this is, for the points, what two-term vice president under Franklin Delano Roosevelt?

ANSWER: John Nance **Garner** III

This organization is collaborating with the European Union on a project that will increase maritime security in regions surrounding the Gulf of Guinea. Colonel Assimi (+) Goïta told his country to "defend our homeland" amid ongoing protests against the sanctions placed on Mali by this organization. This group is led, in part, by Ivorian economist Jean-Claude Brou, and one of its currencies is the regional CFA Franc. Established by the Treaty of (*) Lagos in 1975, this is, for the points, what fifteenmember political and economic union located in West Africa?

ANSWER: **E**conomic **C**ommunity **O**f **W**est **A**frican **S**tates (or **ECOWAS**; accept **CEDEAO**)

(30) This phrase inspired the name of a novel in which Robert Leffingwell attempts to become Secretary of State despite his Communist Party affiliations. First appearing in Article II. (+) Section 2 of the Constitution, this three-word phrase serves as a condition for which one body can select "Ambassadors, other public Ministers and Consuls, Judges of the Supreme Court, and all other Officers of the United States." (*) For the points, give this three word phrase indicating the Senate's guidance on and approval of nominees to presidentially appointed nominees.

ANSWER: Advice and Consent (do not accept or prompt on "Advise and Consent")

The defeated Liberal Republican Party of Horace Greeley opposed Grant's Reconstruction efforts and supported the reform of this system. William (+) Marcy coined the name for this system after an electoral victory for another candidate, which caused the first major shift in political party dominance since 1800. Chester Alan Arthur signed the (*) Pendleton Act to end this system. For the points, name this general system in which political parties give positions to supporters following electoral victories.

ANSWER: **Spoils** System (or **Patronage** System; accept "To the Victor belong the **Spoils**" or similar quotes; prompt on "Cronyism" or "Nepotism"; prompt on any answer referring to "Civil Service" or "Appointments")

(32) This organization's predecessor was first headed by the namesake of the Dawes Plan. E-Government and Information Technology is among the sub-offices within this organization from which Neera (+) Tanden withdrew herself from consideration. This organization is in charge of presenting a proposal regarding its central entity before the Appropriations Committee. Meeting with the EOP at the beginning of the fiscal year, the rejection of this organization's main creation can lead to a government (*) shutdown. For the points, name this office that makes a proposal regarding the president's spending.

ANSWER: Office of Management and Budget (accept OMB)

[33] In *United States v. Gratiot*, which centered on the validity of a lease of land mines, some posited that this clause's central act cannot be defined as letting or leasing. Per this clause, Congress has the power to prohibit the introduction of (+) liquor on lands purchased and used for the Reno Indian Colony. This clause, also known as Article IV, Section 3, Clause 2, outlines Congress's (*) dominion and sovereignty over U.S. territories. For the points, name this clause that gives Congress the power to make laws over all federal lands.

ANSWER: **Property** Clause (accept **Territorial** Clause; accept **Article IV, Section 3, Clause 2** before mentioned)

(34) An opinion from a newspaper in this city stated that voters blamed their district attorney for all the city's faults in what is termed "Chesa Boudin Derangement Syndrome." A Washington Post headline is titled "How [this city] broke America's heart," and quotes that "[this city's] (+) homeless are more desperate. Our hipsters are more pretentious." The mayor of this city, London Breed, declared a state of emergency in this city's Tenderloin district in response to its drug overdose crisis. Dianne (*) Feinstein is a former mayor of, for the points, what California city on the Bay, a neighbor of Oakland?

ANSWER: **San Fran**cisco (accept **S.F.**)

(35) This man founded Gateway Mortgage Group and defeated Drew Edmondson in one general election. This man directed Attorney General Mike Hunter to negotiate a return of over two million dollars-worth of stockpiled (+) hydroxychloroquine. Despite this politician's opposition to Question 802, this man's state expanded Medicaid through a ballot initiative. In July 2020, this politician was the first governor of a U.S. state to test (*) positive for COVID-19. For the points, name this member of the Cherokee Nation, the Republican governor of Oklahoma.

ANSWER: Kevin Stitt (or John Kevin Stitt)

Extra Questions

(1) PSLF is a program to eliminate these entities, and that program triggers if a subject works full time for certain employers like the U.S. Military. Navient and (+) Nelnet provide these commodities, and a moratorium on their payments has been extended until August, 2022. Roughly 7,000,000 people are in default for these things, and Elizabeth Warren ran while campaigning for the (*) "forgiveness" of these things. For the points, name these programs that let students borrow money to pay for higher education.

ANSWER: **Student Loans** (prompt on "Loans")