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Unit 3: Key Themes in Political Analysis

Paper 3C: Representative Processes in the USA

Monday 11 June 2012 – Morning

Time: 1 hour 30 minutes

Paper Reference

6GP03/3C

You do not need any other materials.

Total Marks

Instructions

- Use **black** ink or ball-point pen.
- **Fill in the boxes** at the top of this page with your name, centre number and candidate number.
- Answer **three** questions chosen from Section A and **one** question chosen from Section B.
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided
– *there may be more space than you need.*

Information

- The total mark for this paper is 90.
- The marks for **each** question are shown in brackets
– *use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.*
- You will be assessed on your ability to organise and present information, ideas, descriptions and arguments clearly and logically, taking into account your use of grammar, punctuation and spelling.

Advice

- Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.
- Keep an eye on the time.
- Check your answers if you have time at the end.

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Answer FOUR questions, THREE from Section A and ONE from Section B.

Section B starts on page 12.

SECTION A

Answer THREE questions from this section.

1 Why have the activities of US pressure groups been criticised?

(Total for Question 1 = 15 marks)

2 Which groups of voters support the Democratic Party, and why?

(Total for Question 2 = 15 marks)

3 Why have attempts at immigration reform since 2000 been criticised?

(Total for Question 3 = 15 marks)

4 Explain the factors which give pressure groups such a significant role in US politics.

(Total for Question 4 = 15 marks)

5 Why has campaign finance reform proved difficult to achieve?

(Total for Question 5 = 15 marks)

(Total for Section A = 45 marks)



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(Total for Question = 15 marks)



Indicate your second question choice on this page.
You will be asked to indicate your third question choice on page 9.

Put a cross in the box indicating the second question that you have chosen.
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Chosen Question Number:

Question 1

Question 2

Question 3

Question 4

Question 5

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You should start the answer to Section B on page 13



(Total for Question = 15 marks)

(Total for Section A = 45 marks)



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SECTION B

Answer ONE question from this section.

6 'Affirmative action has failed primarily because of a lack of political will.' Discuss.

(Total for Question 6 = 45 marks)

7 Which of the two major parties is more ideologically divided?

(Total for Question 7 = 45 marks)

8 'The Electoral College should be replaced by a national popular vote.' Discuss.

(Total for Question 8 = 45 marks)

(Total for Section B = 45 marks)



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Question 6

Question 7

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TOTAL FOR PAPER = 90 MARKS

