AP Government – Chapter 12 – The Presidency

Answer the following questions:

1. Explain the "two minds" of the presidency held by many Americans.
2. Prior to the election of Barack Obama as POTUS, your book says that those holding the White House were "homogenous." Explain why they would make such a claim.
3. 22nd Amendment and the 25th Amendment—How did they impact the presidency?
4. What is the procedure for removing a president from office? Explain the steps necessary for removal. Be specific.
5. How do "executive orders" differ from laws passed by Congress?
6. Make a list of constitutional powers of the president, and explain how these powers have expanded.
7. What is a cabinet? What does it do?
8. List and explain the function of three major policymaking bodies of the Executive Office.
9. What is the difference between a hierarchical organization and a wheel-and-spokes system of White House management?
10. What is the role of the First Lady of the United States?
11. Be able to describe the management styles of different presidents discussed in Chapter 12.
12. List the three options the president has once Congress passes a bill.
13. What is the difference between a veto, pocket veto, and a line-item veto?
14. What is meant by an "electoral mandate"?
15. What are the two indicators of public support for the president?
16. What is the "honeymoon" for the president?
17. What are the major roles that the president fulfills?
18. What is the job of the president's press secretary?
19. What is the War Powers Resolution?
20. What is the job of the following: National Security Council, Council of Economic Advisors, and the Office of Management and Budget?

*In addition to answering the questions above, you should also know & understand all of the key terms from the chapter as well.