

Advanced Placement United States Government and Politics Summer Assignment

Due: On the first day of the school year.

Estimated time per lesson: 10 minutes.

Directives: Students should watch all relevant videos and review Google Slides presentations for Unit 1 of the AP US Government and Politics curriculum in preparation for the first week of school. Each video is about 5 minutes long.

You should expect a [Multiple Choice Question and Free Response Question](#) (look at page 163 for more details) assessment to be administered in the first two weeks of school. Students should also be ready for an in-class quiz (with AP style questions, refer to previous link) on these chapters- this quiz will be administered during the first week of school.

The purpose of this assessment is to provide students with the expectations of Advanced Placement United States Government and Politics.

Resources: Use the links below for assistance with learning the first Unit of AP US Government and Politics.

There are 9 lessons in Unit 1. For each lesson, I have provided 2 review videos (they both cover the same content, use whichever you prefer), a key terms sheet and my own personal slides.

For more information about the curriculum, please reference the Curriculum and Exam Description (CED) [here](#). Students should review the learning objectives and required knowledge for each lesson and familiarize themselves with the format and requirements of Free Response Question #2 Quantitative Analysis (also available in the CED).

Lesson 1.1 - Ideals of Democracy

[Review Video 1](#)

[Review Video 2](#)

[Key Terms](#)

[Slides Presentation](#)

Lesson 1.2 - Types of Democracy

[Review Video 1](#)

[Review Video 2](#)

[Key Terms](#)

[Slides Presentation](#)

Lesson 1.3 - Government Power and Individual Rights

[Review Video 1](#)

[Review Video 2](#)

[Key Terms](#)

[Slides Presentation](#)

Lesson 1.4 - Challenges of the Articles of Confederation

[Review Video 1](#)

[Review Video 2](#)

[Key Terms](#)

[Slides Presentation](#)

Lesson 1.5 - Ratification of the United States Constitution

[Review Video 1](#)

[Review Video 2](#)

[Key Terms](#)

[Slides Presentation](#)

Lesson 1.6 - Principles of American Government

[Review Video 1](#)

[Review Video 2](#)

[Key Terms](#)

[Slides Presentation](#)

Lesson 1.7 - Relationship Between the States and National Government

[Review Video 1](#)

[Review Video 2](#)

[Key Terms](#)

[Slides Presentation](#)

Lesson 1.8 - Constitutional Interpretations of Federalism

[Review Video 1](#)

[Review Video 2](#)

[Key Terms](#)

[Slides Presentation](#)

Lesson 1.9 - Federalism in Action

[Review Video 1](#)

[Review Video 2](#)

[Key Terms](#)

[Slides Presentation](#)

SCOTUS Cases

[McCulloch v. Maryland Review Video 1](#)

[McCulloch v. Maryland Review Video 2](#)

[US v. Lopez Review Video 1](#)

[US v. Lopez Review Video 2](#)

[Key Terms](#)

[Slides Presentation](#)

Pacing Guide

In total, this assignment should take about 2-3 hours to complete, including watching videos and reviewing powerpoints. I recommend covering about 2-3 lessons per week for the last month of summer. If you watch the videos and take notes based on the key terms, you will be prepared for the first week of school.