The Legislative Branch: Congress Text Questions and Vocabulary

Define the terms, answer the questions, or simply read parts of the text identified in this list.

- 1. Bicameral-p 268
- 2. List and define the types of gerrymandering found on pages 276-7.
- 3. Read the "Paths to Congress" on page 279.
- 4. Incumbent-p. 280
 - a. What is the electoral advantage of being an incumbent? Why do you think this is so?
- Constituencies-p. 283
 (Representatives in the House also have constituencies.)
- Representatives of the People Voting Options
 - a. Delegates-p. 287 (Text and Chart)
 - b. Trustees-p. 287 (Text and Chart)
 - c. Partisans-p. 287 (Text and Chart)
 - d. Politicos-p. 287 (Text and Chart)
- 7. Committees-p. 287
- 8. Floor Consideration-p. 287
- 9. Oversight Function- p. 288
- 10. Read the documents and answer the question on page 293.
- 11. Write two reactions to the chart on page 301.
- 12. Read "The Implied Powers of Congress" chart on page 313.

- 13. Speaker of the House-p. 332
- 14. President of the Senate-p. 333
- 15. Party Caucus-p. 334
- 16. Majority Leader-p. 336
- 17. Minority Leader-p. 336
- 18. Standing Committees-p. 338
- 19. Subcommittees-p. 340
- 20. House Rule Committees-p. 340
 - a. Why does this committee have a lot of power?
- 21. Joint Committee-p. 341
- 22. Conference Committee-p. 342
- 23. Bill-p. 343
- 24. What do you think about the chart on page 345?
- 25. Pigeon-Holed-p. 345
- 26. Discharge Petition-p. 345
- 27. What are the five committee actions concerning a bill?-p. 346
- 28. Who are committee staffers? P. 347
- 29. Quorum-p. 348
- 30. We will look at the chart on page 350 together in class.
- 31. Read p. 354 carefully.
- 32. Take one important note from each paragraph of page 355.
- 33. Filibuster-p. 352
- 34. Veto-p. 356
- 35. Pocket Veto-p. 356
- 36. Whips-p. 336
- 37. We will look at the documents on page 359 together in class.