**Unit 4: The US President (SHJ)**

**Using your textbook, answer the following questions:**

**If you prefer to just make notes, then use the pages shown here to make notes from. The blog can be helpful for examples**

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| 1. What powers does the US President have from the Constitution? Give an example for each.

 *Power to propose legislation: at State of the Union/press conferences. e.g. Obama 2010 Obamacare* | **229-233** |
| 1. What **informal** powers does the President exercise?
 | **282-283** |
| 1. Define ‘balanced ticket’ and give an example for geography, experience, age and race.
 | **234** |
| 1. What powers does the Vice President have? Give an example for each.
 | **235** |
| 1. Why could the VP be considered to be important?

 *VP = govt spokesman on certain issues. Al Gore/environment; Joe Biden/middle-class taskforce* | **236** |
| 1. Define the Federal Bureaucracy and outline its three functions.
 | **239****241** |
| 1. **Briefly** outline the five problems of the Federal Bureaucracy.
 | **243-245** |
| 1. What factors might a President try to ‘balance’ when appointing his cabinet? Give an example of each.
 | **249-252** |
| 1. Why would the President hold Cabinet meeting?
 | **255** |
| 1. Give two arguments for, and two against, the Cabinet being important, with examples.
 | **259** |
| 1. Outline the role of:
* White House Office
* National Security Council
 | **261-2****265-6** |
| 1. Outline reasons why EXOP and the Cabinet may be rivals.
 | **267-270** |
| 1. Explain what is meant by the President’s ‘power to persuade’ and give examples of it in action.
 | **273-277** |
| 1. Define the ‘imperial presidency’
 | **285** |
| 1. Outline the various checks, Constitutional or not, on Presidential power.
 | **289-291** |