**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** |