

AP Gov 2023-24

Agenda: November 9, 2023

- 1) Any pressing government or politics questions you have?
We spent the entire time on this. (But it was time well-spent, as everything we talked about pertains to later topics, and discussing them in the context of current events is helpful.)

The rest of this I will bump to our next meeting, which will be over Zoom.

- 2) Wealth inequality video & summarize plutocracy/oligarchy readings
How is this related to participatory, pluralist, and elite democracy models?
- 3) Discuss structure of the Constitution (Preamble + Articles + Signatures), and its protections (against tyranny & of individual & states' rights)
 - federalism
 - separation of powers
 - checks & balances
 - the states
 - amendment process
 - special protections & provisions
 - ratification

Any questions from *Princeton Review* 103 – 111?

HW #9 — due Th 11/16

- 1) Crash Course videos #3, #4, and #5 (linked on my website)
*(If you still haven't read through the *Princeton Review* pages, do that first. Then watch these videos if you have time. Eventually, you should definitely watch them!)*
- 2) Take-home quizzes: *(You can delay these one week, until after our Zoom meeting.)*
 - Articles of the Constitution
 - Protections Against Tyranny
- 3) *Spirit of 1787* reading #5–7
(optional, but you should finish by the end of the Thanksgiving Break, if you are going to)

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Additional handouts (for use over the next two weeks):

- Federalists v. Antifederalists handouts, including:
 - Brutus 1 & Federalist 10 & 51 (all are just excerpts/highlights)
 - (Federalist 70 & 78 I do not have shortened versions of — sorry.)
 - (You can find the full texts of all of these linked on my website, where they are listed under “Required Foundational Documents.”)
- Practice AP Questions (for over Thanksgiving Break)
- AP Exam Pre-Test (also for over Thanksgiving Break)