Week 5 (1/29-2/2)

Monday

-HW: Watch the state of the union Tuesday January 30th. **Blog by Friday**. Hard copy and online.

-HW: Read textbook pg. 341-344

-Review four types of committees (5)

-Class Discussion/Notes: standing committees/subcommittees (5)

-Class Discussion/Notes: Joint, Select, and Conference Committees (10)

-Class Discussion/Notes: Committee Powers and Composition of Committees (25)

-Analyze committees and connect with Executive Departments: <https://www.govtrack.us/congress/committees/>

-# of bills currently introduced and % that will pass. <https://www.govtrack.us/congress/bills/>

-Discuss state of the union Blog (5)

Tuesday

-HW: Read textbook pg. 345-348

-HW: Read McCain Pork article

-HW: Watch the state of the union tonight . **Blog by Friday**. Hard copy and online.

-Video: Ted Cruz: Green Eggs and Ham quasi filibuster: (5)

-Class Discussion/Notes: Floor Debate Rules: House vs. Senate (10)

-Video: Cloture: Odd Todd Cartoon (5)

-Partner: Read Upfront: Why the Democrats went Nuclear (10)

-Class Discussion/Notes: Filibuster, Cloture, new rules (20)

Wednesday

-HW: Read supplemental reading: Recess!

-Discuss significance of Pic of Porky Pig (5)

-Class Discussion/Notes: Pork Barrel Politics/Earmarks (5)

-Partner: Revew McCain Pork Article

-Partner: Pork a “Dialogue” Pros/Cons of Pork (10)

-Class Discussion: McCain Pork article: Connect to House Republican vote to ban Earmarks in 2010.

-Class Discussion/Notes. Show open secrets (10)

-Class Discussion/Notes: Five Main Functions of Congress (5)

-Class Discussion/Notes: Lawmaking/Legislative Process. Stop at Congressional Session (5)

Thursday

-HW: Read textbook pg. 349-354

-Video: School House Rocks: How a Bill Becomes a Law (5)

-Class Discussion/Notes: Bills and Laws/Public vs. Private (5)

-Analyze Flow Chart pg. 343. Discuss steps/notes: (30)

-Show Joke: How bill becomes a law

-Class Discussion: Congressional Session. Connect with article from last night: Recess! (10)

Friday

-Collect Blogs

-Military Industrial Complex Powerpoint

-Partner: How Much Does Government Spend? Guess Percentages (5)

-Class Discussion on actual percentages and dollars (5)

-Class Discussion/Notes: The Budget and Congressional Oversight (GAO) Government Accountability Office (changed name in 2004). Formerly General Accounting Office (1921) (20)

-Partner: Handout: Discuss three theories of representation: Sociological Representation, Trustee Representation , Agency Representation or Instructed Delegate (10)

-Show Grades (10)