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THURSDAY, 5 JUNE 2025 – AFTERNOON

GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS – A2 unit 4
Government and politics of the USA

2 hours 30 minutes

ADDITIONAL MATERIALS

A WJEC pink 16-page answer booklet.

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Use black ink or black ball-point pen. Do not use gel pen or correction fluid.

Section A: Answer **both** Question 1 **and** Question 2.

Section B: Answer **two** questions from Question 3, Question 4 **or** Question 5.

Section C: Answer Question 6.

Write your answers in the separate answer booklet provided, following the instructions on the front of the answer booklet.

Use both sides of the paper. Write only within the white areas of the booklet.

Write the question number in the two boxes in the left-hand margin at the start of each answer,

for example

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Leave at least two line spaces between each answer.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

The number of marks is given in brackets at the end of each question or part-question.

The quality of your written communication, including appropriate use of punctuation and grammar, will be assessed in your answers to Section B and Section C questions.

Section A

Answer both questions from this section.

In your answer credit will be given for accurate knowledge and understanding, and also your ability to interpret and apply political information.

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Explain the impact of the committee system on the work of the US Congress. [16]

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Explain the influence of social media on US elections. [16]

Section B

Answer two questions from this section.

In your answer credit will be given for accurate knowledge and understanding, and also your ability to analyse and evaluate.

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“Race and ethnicity are key determinants of voting behaviour in US elections.” Discuss. [24]

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“‘Imperial Presidency’ is not relevant when considering US presidential power today.” Discuss. [24]

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“The death penalty does not violate the civil rights and liberties of US citizens.” Discuss. [24]

Section C

You must answer this question.

In your answer credit will be given for accurate knowledge and understanding, your ability to interpret and apply political information, and your ability to analyse and evaluate.

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How effective is the US political system today? [40]

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