

GCE A LEVEL

1160U40-1



THURSDAY, 9 JUNE 2022 - 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.

Write your answers in the separate answer booklet provided.

Section A: Answer **both** guestions.

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

Section C: Answer the question.

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 questions 3, 4, 5 and 6.

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Section A

In Section A, you must answer both questions 1 and 2.

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

- **1.** Explain the influence of the Speaker of the House on the work of the US Congress. [16]
- **2.** Explain the impact of partisanship on voting behaviour in US elections. [16]

Section B

In Section B, you must answer **two** questions.

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

- **3.** Evaluate contemporary debates about the relevance of the Bill of Rights. [24]
- 4. 'The process of appointing Supreme Court justices is no longer fit for purpose.' Discuss. [24]
- **5.** Analyse the view that the most significant constraint on the power of the US President is Congress. [24]

Section C

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.

6. Discuss the stability of the American system of government in the twenty first century. [40]

END OF PAPER