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Political Science Section

TEXT: Julia Azari's "What the Politics of Presidential Term Limits Teaches Us about Violating Norms"

1. Azari suggests that "violating norms" often leads to... A) repealing old laws B) old norms being replaced by new precedents C) new informal rules D) new norms E) making new laws
2. "Formal codification" = A) Trump's violations of norms B) making new laws from old norms C) not having informal expectations D) having formal experience in public office E) going against precedents
3. Azari does *not* recommend reading...A) the U.S. Constitution B) Trump's biography C) her own study D) many academic studies E) Korzi's book
4. At first, attendees of the Constitutional Convention__about presidential term limits. A) agreed B) didn't care C) conjectured and boiled D) disagreed E) were eligible
5. FDR's third term violated... A) the precedent, the norm, and the law B) only the law C) both the precedent and the informal rule but not the law D) the norm but not the informal rule E) the informal rule but not the precedent

TEXT: James Titcomb & James Carson's "Fake News: What Exactly Is It—and How Can You Spot It?"

1. The authors__ what Trump thinks fake news is. A) agree with B) misunderstand C) never explain D) disagree with E) neither agree nor disagree
2. The authors think most readers today __ propaganda. A) are fooled by B) believe all media are C) use critical thinking to avoid being influenced by D) don't recognize E) enjoy
3. "Going viral" in this article does *not* mean... A) having influence in social media B) being shared widely on social media C) making people ill with fake news D) supporting *both* The Hypodermic *and* Minimal Effects Models of media influence (in that people share things that they agree with and believe them even if they're fake) E) emotionally resonant to many people
4. The authors think that if the gov't pays commentators to say nice things about it, this makes their media comments... A) fake B) less biased C) commercial D) satire or parody E) real
5. Social and other internet media companies are __ fake news & misinformation. A) all, or at least mostly B) not benefitting from higher sales and web traffic from C) under pressure to reduce if not eliminate D) certain about the influence of E) unable to stop or crack down on

TEXT: Linz & Stepan's Modern Nondemocratic Regimes

1. Linz is credited with __ the term "authoritarian." A) accepting B) stabilizing C) coining D) overlooking E) internalizing
2. A typology... A) tells us which types are good and which are bad B) shows us examples of things which actually exist C) lays out the characteristics of categories D) is a definition of one individual term by itself E) helps us type
3. Post-totalitarian regimes... A) are always transitional to another kind of regime B) are very stable C) are completely different from totalitarian ones D) are never stable E) may or may not move toward greater pluralism
4. Their "Sultanism" is most similar to... A) party-led authoritarianism B) personalist authoritarianism C) totalitarian dictatorship D) illiberal democracy E) well institutionalized authoritarianism
5. Schmitter & Karl might criticize Linz & Stepan's explanation of democracy as overly...
A) procedural B) liberal C) pluralistic D) focused on results like economic growth E) Western

International Politics Section

TEXT: Caroline Glick's "John Bolton's Appointment Is an 'America First' Move"

1. Glick__Trump's "America First" foreign policy slogan. A) argues against B) thinks Bolton's appointment contradicts C) thinks Bolton's appointment clarifies D) doubts there is room for diplomacy in E) opposes
2. Glick thinks Bolton's nationalism is...A) unusual for a neocon B) wavering and insufficient C) a firm qualification D) dangerous   E) like a warmonger's
3. Glick's intended audience in *Breitbart* is...A) those opposed to Trump B) those who disagree Bolton is a neocon C) U.S. diplomats D) Trump supporters who oppose neoconservatism E) Trump supporters who support neoconservatism
4. Trump__ "the swamp." A) has lots of experience in B) thinks Bolton is part of C) and Bolton are supported by D) wants to "drain" or reduce the influence of E) disagrees with Glick that Washington, D.C., is
5. Bolton has *not* served in__ administration. A) Reagan's B) Bush Sr.'s C) Bush Jr.'s D) Obama's E) Trump's

TEXT: Sahar Khan's "Trump's Foreign Policy, One Year In"

1. Trump himself describes his foreign policy "doctrine" as one of... A) Afghanistan troop increases B) Realism C) continuity D) non-assertiveness E) nepotism
2. Khan thinks Trump...A) has no foreign policy strategy at all B) will succeed by being unpredictable C) mistakenly connects immigration & terrorism D) has filled staff positions well as a business CEO E) will make America great again
3. NAFTA & the TPP...A) are protectionist trade policies B) have both been canceled by Trump C) favor economic realism or economic nationalism D) didn't include Canada or Mexico E) were bad for the U.S. economy, in Trump's view
4. Calling Trump's foreign policy "the Trump Doctrine"... A) suggests it is as clear as the Bush and Obama Doctrines B) is itself a criticism of Trump C) shows it is incoherent D) has made its three principles official and agreed upon among U.S. scholars and diplomats E) erodes the moral high ground the United States used to enjoy
5. __ is an example of Trump's nepotism.
       A) Nikki Haley B) ExxonMobil C) "Fake News" D) Jared Kushner E) Rex Tillerson

TEXT: Chomsky's "The Leading Terrorist State"

1. Chomsky thinks... A) the *NY Times* article's headline is not critical enough B) the U.S. should aid Syrian rebels more C) the CIA should not have done this study D) the CIA is a friendly agency E) the study's conclusion is wrong
2. "[R]ethinking of the policy" would... A) not really change anything, because insurgencies and the U.S. will always be bad and do bad things B) be too foolish to consider C) be too complicated for Obama D) increase U.S. funding of insurgencies E) end U.S. funding of insurgencies
3. An "insurgency" is... A) always U.S.-funded B) always foreign-funded C) always domestically funded D) always raising funds to oppose the gov't E) never any of these
4. Someone in Trump's "base" favoring retrenchment would... A) love Chomsky but disagree with this article B) find Chomsky's bias too pro-American C) have wanted more intervention in the three countries D) think Chomsky and Obama are generally anti-American "socialists" but agree with the White House's conclusion in the *NY Times* article E) read Chomsky regularly and usually agree with him
5. Chomsky does *not* think that... A) Nelson Mandela was a freedom-fighter, not a terrorist   B) terrorists are only non-state actors C) "covert aid" is a way to disguise "funding terrorist activities" D) Angola, Nicaragua, and Cuba have legitimate regimes E) Obama isn't sure overthrowing foreign governments is something the U.S. should fund

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TEXT: "There Is No Thucydides Trap" by Arthur Waldron

1. The article's title and text suggest that Harvard's Graham Allison __ the Thucydides Trap. A) deserves credit for shedding light on B) either exaggerates the danger of or entirely made up C) will prevent hegemonic war with his book on D) is well qualified to diagnose China's role in E) is right to seek mutual accommodation and appeasement to avoid
2. In the paragraph beginning, "Since the attack," Waldron speculates that Japan and South Korea may develop nuclear weapons because... A) they want an arms race B) they want to expand their territories C) every country has a right to develop nukes D) China is behaving aggressively in the region E) they are bowing respectfully to China's new pre-eminence
3. Waldron thinks Allison __ China's vulnerabilities. A) wrongly ignores B) rightfully ignores C) adequately considers D) considers in detail but underestimates E) exaggerates
4. Waldron's book review implies that... A) Allison is a China expert B) Allison is an expert on Ancient Greece C) Allison paid too much attention to the work of Prof. Kagan & Prof. Badian D) he understands China better than Allison E) Allison knows nothing about China
5. Waldron thinks a Sino-American war is... A) in China's interests as a revisionist, rising power B) all but inevitable due to the Thucydides Trap C) no solution to China's problems D) more direct and effective than containment policies E) dependent on Xi Jinping's decisions

ANSWERS: 1. B 2. D 3. A (possibly D) 4. D   5. C

TEXT: "Why Trump Hasn't Fired Mattis" by Eliana Johnson

1. What Trump "loves" about Mattis is... A) his willingness to disagree with Trump B) a "tough guy" image Trump sees in himself C) his high profile in the "liberal media" D) his defense of diplomacy E) his civilian background
2. Mattis thinks the military and foreign policy should be... A) populist Republican like Trump   B) based first and foremost on hard power C) conservative Democrat like him D) dovish E) apolitical or at least bipartisan
3. As a military man himself, it is ironic that Mattis fears... A) U.S. foreign policy is being militarized B) the U.S. armed forces C) war and combat D) Donald Trump firing him E) a rising military budget
4. Trump __ the use of torture; Mattis __. A) supports, encouraged him B) supported, made Trump reconsider C) opposed, agreed D) strongly supports, made no impression on him E) never mentioned, always talks about killing people
5. The article portrays Mattis as __ than former Sec. of State Rex Tillerson. A) less hawkish B) better at gettting media attention C) more reserved and cautious D) less diplomatic E) less supportive of the Pentagon

ANSWERS: 1. B 2. E 3. A 4. B 5. C

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TEXT: "Life in the Fishbowl" by Stuart Armstrong

____1. Armstrong believes... A) states will stop collecting citizens' personal data when they've got enough   B) total surveillance is impossible C) privacy laws will protect citizens absolutely D) the trend toward total surveillance is all but irreversible and can't be stopped E) technology has little role to play in surveillance
____2. Total surveillance might... A) eradicate crime entirely B) be a dystopian police state C) increase military budgets D) be liked by everyone E) worsen epidemic and pandemic diseases
____3. A fish in a fishbowl... A) has a nightmarish existence according to Armstrong B) is like "big brother," watching us   C) need not worry about crime or safety D) is not metaphorical for Armstrong E) experiences the panopticon
____4. An all-seeing police force... A) already exists in China, especially in Xinjiang B) C) would not be corrupt D) would still fail to deter irrational crimes of passion E) would require fewer police to watch for crime at first, but more later
____5. Armstrong __ total surveillance. A) strongly supports B) strongly opposes C) sees benefits in addition to drawbacks of D) himself wouldn't mind E) predicts an end to

ANSWERS: 1. D 2. B 3. E 4. D 5. C (possibly B also)

TEXT: "Selling the Country to China? Debate Spills into Malaysia's Election"

____1. Doubts about the generosity of "One-Belt-One-Road" are... A) anti-China B) Sinophobic C) only in Malaysia D) the reason Najib lost to Mahathir E) unrelated to the Malaysian election
____2. Mahathir promises to... A) ban Chinese purchases of land and luxury items B) sell the country's sovereignty C) reject "One-Belt-One-Road" D) reconsider whether Malaysia is benefitting enough from Chinese investment E) expel Malaysia's ethnic Chinese
____3. New housing developments such as "Forest City" are... A) built only with Malay labor B) majority Chinese-owned C) possibly majority-Chinese, but we don't know D) a lesson Najib learned to be anti-China E) all environmentally responsible
____4. "Malaysia's own economically powerful ethnic Chinese" are... A) Chinese nationals B) not influential in election outcomes C) actually Japanese like the word "tsunami" D) an MDM E) thankful to Najib for Chinese investments and supportive of his party
____5. Najib and his government officials effectively accuse his critics of... A) putting nationalism above economic efficiency and growth B) selling the country's sovereignty to China C) taking corrupt "loans" from China D) employing too many Chinese workers E) leaving local entrepreneurs out of the bonanza

ANSWERS: 1. B 2. D 3. C 4. D 5. A

FOR EACH OF THE FIVE STATEMENTS BELOW, CHOOSE THE IDEOLOGY OR KIND OF PERSON WHO WOULD AGREE MOST STRONGLY. EXAMPLE: E__ Socialism is good. In socialist countries, the people have a high position.
D, C, or B Socialism is bad. In socialist countries, the government is too big, and this reduces individual freedom.

Choose from the following: A= U.S. progressive/liberal   B= U.S. centrist/moderate   C= U.S. conservative D= Libertarian E= Socialist
Use each letter only once! Each letter will be used.

1. High military spending keeps the economy strong and our nation safe.

2. Economic inequality is a nation's biggest security threat.

3. The government has no business knowing what I do in my own home. *All* forms of surveillance are wrong.

4. A mixed economy has some advantages for providing public services, but a regulated market will best provide economic growth.

5. Patriotism is a good thing, but taking it to ideological extremes like nationalists or socialists would be dangerous.

ANSWERS: 1. C 2. E 3. D 4. A 5. B

Junior IR Chinglish Elimination (from the Senior class's essays in 2016):

1. IR theory can accurately describe events that happened in the real world and explain why they did.
IR theory can accurately describe the events occurred in the real world and explain its cause and effect.

2. North Korea stood in China side while South Korea stood in another side.
North Korea stood on China's side while South Korea stood on the other side.

3. Nuclear weapons that developed by North Korea makes the world not only angry but also terrified.
Nuclear weapons that developed by North Korea makes the world not only angry but also terrified.

4. Why do so many scholars study IR theory?
Why there are so many scholars research the IR theory?

Junior IR Translation:

1. 一般来□,□恐怖分子是男人□不□女的也有不少。
Generally, terrorists are men, but there are also many women.
2. 美国□□决定□外政策□不□国会□也有影响。
U.S. presidents make foreign policy, but Congressmen also have an impact.
3. 当地生□的□品没有□口□品□。
Local products are not as expensive as imports.
　　4.　核武器很危□,□但是□□理□国□关系□家都□□每一国家都有权利□有。

Topic Sentence Pageant: Each team imagine that you are writing a paragraph strongly criticizing Trump's foreign policy.

What would be your topic sentence?
The instructor will rank each team's topic sentences from 1st-4th-best, assign points accordingly, and explain why the best ones are better than the others.

1.The great power in global governance has the unshirkable responsibility ,but Trump's foreign policy lets it decay rather than support the international system.

2.　　　　　　Trump's foreign policy of cracking down on immigration has eroded the moral high ground the USA used to enjoy.

4. Trump has arbitrarily set up his foreign policy to include ill-advised trade nationalism and an unconstitutional travel ban, which has greatly reduced America's global credibility.

Political Science Section

Chinglish Elimination (from the Senior class's essays in 2016):

1. Huntington believe the world have exist 7 civilization.
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2. Why are some democracies keen on war?
Why do some democracy countries be keen on war?

3. Confucius, a famous Chinese philosopher and educator, believed that man's nature is good at birth.
 Confucius, Chinese famous philosopher and educator, believes that human's nature is good at the beginning.

4. Trump's grandfather was an Germany who amassed great wealth by liquor and sex in American.
Trump's grandfather was a German who amassed a great deal of wealth by selling liquor and sex in America.

Chinese-English Translation

1．美国举行大选时，只有公民有权利投票。
Only citizens have the right to vote when the United States holds presidential elections.

2．不只是老人看报纸—精英也比较喜欢看。
Not only old people but also elites like to read newspapers.

3．一般来说，首府比一般的城市更有钱并且更有名。

4．美国思想保守的人通常信基督教，但是开放的也经常信。

Topic Sentence Pageant: Imagine you are writing a paragraph strongly criticizing Trump's effect on the freedom of the press.
What would be your topic sentence? The instructor will judge your sentences from #1-4 and explain why the best ones are the best.

1. Trump destroyed the freedom of press with his defamation by undermining public trust in the media through disrupting public opinion.

2. The war between Trump and Media----American mainstream media don't know they're dead.

3. Crazy and irrational Trump impeded the freedom of press, which means the recession of democracy, making the U.S. an Orwellian state.

    4.   (on board)

6-21 Final Review Game

BASIC QUESTION FORMS Chinese-English Translation

    1.   是不是每一个美国人都投票?

2. 国家语言的□□□□怎么看?

3. 中国□什么没有受到   2008 经济危机那么严重的影响？

4. 资本主义与所谓的'自由市场'有什么关系？

Chinglish Elimination (from your Rough Drafts of Essay 2)

1. If the national language dies out completely, the nation will then extinct, since without a language, ones will lose its own identity.

2. Chinese socialist market economy belongs to socialist, and Chinese state-owned enterprises may still have some shortcomings, but they are still indispensable to us.

3.Why some western countries define Russia as non-democratic nation? There are many different definitions of democratic regime and need lots of factors to build it.

4. The government wants this way to allow these children to learn how to survive in a white society. (Australia's assimilation policies toward aboriginal peoples)

BASIC QUESTION FORMS Chinese-English Translation

1. 是不是所有的国家都在研究无人机？

2.为什么只有一个国家在战争用过核武器？

3.在1979 中越两个社会主义国家怎么可能发生战争？

4.华国锋开始打战你能想象吗？

5.建设世界主义要不要求各国有网络自由？
Is Internet freedom necessary for all countries to construct cosmopolitanism?
Does building cosmopolitanism require all countries to have internet freedom？

Chinglish Elimination (from your Rough Drafts of Essay 2)

1. The UAV is widely used in modern information war, the global counter-terrorism strategy in the United States occupies the important position.

The UAV is widely used in modern information war, occupying an important position in the U.S. global counter-terrorism strategy.
2. If rivals attack on the network, the CUAVs will be under controlled. What happened next is uncertainty.

If rivals attack the network, the CUAVs will be out of control. What will happen next is uncertain.

3. The drones to attack the enemy in battle, at the same time also brought a great disaster is bound to civilians.

When drones attack enemies in battle, they also bring a great disaster to civilians.

4. CUAVs ' challenge to the principle of distinction is firstly reflected in the remote control operations of the virtual environment.

The challenge of CUAVs to distinguish principle firstly reflected in the remote control operations of virtual environment.

5. The UAVs do not carry pilots directly, so that it will be no pilot casualties.

UAVs are unmanned, so they will cause no pilot casualties.

Yield/Give in, Make/Force, Let/Allow Fill in the blanks with the correct form of one of the verbs, as in your previous homework assignment. Number your team's paper from 1-7.

Our English teacher has the authority to __make____ us speak in complete sentences, even when we'd rather use one-word answers, but he can't _force_ us to adopt Western political views. Even if he tried to do so, we'd never _yield/give in_, because we're all Chinese patriots who would never _allow_ ourselves to be tricked by Western propaganda. _Letting_ the Western perspective dominate class discussion would __yield__ more consternation than learning, but given that many political terms' definitions originated in the West and don't always translate well to Chinese, sometimes he _allows_ such terms to be used uncritically to save time.

What kind of nationalism? Choose from among the following modifiers to describe the kind of nationalism in sentences 1-8: ·civic ·cyber- ·diasporic ·fascist ·instrumental ·irredentist ·linguistic ·perennialist ·primordialist ·secessionist ·situational ·xenophobic

1. The land of my co-ethnics in another state should be unified with my state.
2. The Kim family descended from heaven on the lake at Paekdusan (Changbai Shan) and fathered the Korean nation.
3. Seeking rapid industrialization at the grassroots level, Mao began the "Great Leap Forward" in the 1950s to unite the nation under Chinese Communist pride with goals of surpassing Britain and the USA.
4. Minority nationalities with their own writing systems demand that schools teach children how to write it along with or even instead of Chinese characters.
5. Being only 1/16th Native American, Joe usually considers himself white, but on his college application, claiming to be of Native American ethnicity might help him get into a better school.
6. The "Overseas Chinese" may only officially be ethnic Chinese, with the citizenship of other countries, but really they're all still part of a single Chinese national civilization.
7. Our nation must be the strongest, and we must expel other, inferior national peoples from our nation-state to keep our nation pure.
8. Our national identity is under threat if we stay in this state. We should split off and form our own state to protect

ANSWERS: 1. irredentist 2. primordialist 3. instrumental 4. linguistic 5. situational 6. diasporic (also primordialist) 7. fascist 8. secessionist

Topic Sentence Pageant: Imagine you are writing a paragraph saying the difference(s) between policies of ethnic cleansing and genocide are either important or not important.

What would be your topic sentence? The instructor will judge your sentences from #1-4 and explain why the best ones are the best.

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A/An/The or _____ (blank)?

1. When I went to check on _____ baby, she was gone, leaving behind _____ blanket and _____ kidnapper's note.
2. _____ city of Changchun has at least _____ two train stations, with _____ West one for high-speed rail.
3. No one ever realized _____ student who sat in _____ very back of _____ classroom and never said anything was actually one of the smartest.
4. Everyone wanted to know where _____ group would go for _____ New Year's Eve, but since it didn't have _____ leader, nobody ever decided where to go.
5. We received _____ anonymous call from someone claiming to be _____ terrorist saying to stay away from _____ Capitol Building at noon.
6. China's largest lake is _____ Poyang Lake in Jiangxi, which is said to cover _____ same amount of land as _____ entirety of Los Angeles.