**Reading Questions (chapter 12b) # 30 32 33**

*#30 Craig Rimmerman - Plebiscitary Presidency*

1. What would the founding fathers be “undoubtedly disturbed by…?”
2. What has congress done to increase the power of the presidency?
3. Where does the president get most of his power?
4. The plebiscitary Presidency is characterized by what?
5. Why is it difficult for presidents to deliver on their promises? (5)
6. What was the primary role of the presidency in the early 19th century?
7. How does the author relate Andrew Johnson speeches to modern speeches by politicians?
8. Since FDR and continuing through JFK what has happened to the presidency? (How do we view the president in our system?)
9. What does the author say presidents do when they can’t get their agenda passed through Congress?
10. The author implies that what has contributed to the imperial presidency?
11. What president tried to be a “trustee” president – and promote the issues that “the people” want?
12. According to de Tocqueville, what kind of patriotism did Americans have in the 19th century?

*#32 Kenneth Mayer – With the Stroke of a Pen*

1. What is an executive order? (When do executive orders have the most constitutional authority?)
2. Most executive orders between 1941 and 1970 were for what purpose?
3. How was Clinton’s executive order 13087 similar but different from many of JFK’s executive orders?
4. Post article: what was President Obama’s most controversial executive order? Was it constitutional? Why or why not?
5. Post article: what was president Trump’s most controversial executive order (so far)? Was it constitutional? Why or why not?

*#33 Samuel Popkin – The Candidate*

1. What are the three possible campaigns that a presidential hopeful can wage?
2. What does the author suggest candidates study before waging a campaign for president?
3. What is the one thing (or two?) personality traits that one must have to run for president?
4. What is the 2nd think a president needs to wage a successful campaign for president?
5. How does a candidate get people to “trust” him or her?
6. What must a candidate balance to have a winning presidential campaign?