**AP GOVERNMENT: Three Branches of Government Review**

*Directions: With your partner, and using your textbook only when necessary, answer the following questions. It is imperative that you take this seriously. With the “Institutions of Government” making up 35-45% of the multiple choice questions, it is imperative that you have a full understanding of this material. You should spend approximately 5 minutes on EACH question. Remaining time should be spent on previous materials from class this week (term list, presidential characteristics, etc).*

1. Describe the constitutional provisions that define Congress.
2. Analyze the ability of members of Congress to represent their constituents.
3. Describe how incumbency and redistricting help members of Congress to stay in office.
4. Assess the role of leaders, political parties, and committees in Congress.
5. Describe the powers of Congress.
6. Describe the factors that influence how members of Congress make decisions.
7. Describe the constitutional provisions that provide the roots of the American presidency.
8. Identify the roles and responsibilities of the president under the Constitution.
9. Trace the expansion of presidential power.
10. Describe the organization and functions of the Executive Office of the President.
11. Outline the development of the federal bureaucracy.
12. Describe how the federal bureaucracy is organized and staffed.
13. Identify the roles and responsibilities of the federal bureaucracy.
14. Identify the means of controlling the federal bureaucracy.
15. Describe the constitutional foundations of the federal judiciary and judicial review.
16. Describe the structure of the federal judiciary.
17. Outline the criteria for nominating and the process of approving federal judges and Supreme Court justices.
18. Outline the process by which the Supreme Court makes decisions and the factors that influence judicial decision making.
19. Evaluate the role of the Supreme Court in national policy making.
20. Describe the relationship between the Congress, President, and the Supreme Court.