**Chapter 1-Princials of Government**

**Section 3-Basic Concepts of Democracy**

**Principals of Democracy (pg. 20-23)**

**Foundations (pg. 20)**

* Knowing that democracy is not inevitable why does democracy exist in the United States according to the text?
* What are the five basic notions of democracy exist within the United States?

**Worth of the Individual (pg. 20-21)**

* Knowing that democracy is firmly based on the belief in the fundamental importance of the individual what do we consider people regardless of his/her station in life?
* What is considered the overriding importance of democratic thought?
* In order for democracy to succeed it is dependent on the participation of individuals. With this in mind what are some examples of subordinated welfares of the individual designed to benefit the interests of the many:

**Equality of All Persons (pg. 20-21)**

* The democratic concept of equality means every person is entitled to:
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  + 2.
* The democratic concept of equality holds that no person should be held back for such arbitrary reasons for those based on: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* Believing that each person is free to develop himself or herself as fully as they wish we also hold that each person should be treated \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

**Majority Rule, Minority Rule (pg. 21-22)**

* What determines public policy in a democracy and what does not?
* Democracy holds that majority rule will be:
* Is the democratic process designed to meant to come up with the “right” or “best” answer or does it have another purpose? (If so please explain)
* In a democracy why must majority rule be restrained by minority rights?

**Necessity of Compromise (pg. 22)**

* How does the text define the idea of ***compromise***?
* Describe the two major reasons compromise is an essential part of the democratic concept

**Individual Freedoms (pg. 22-23)**

* The only situation that democracy can thrive is in an atmosphere of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* What does the text mean by the statement that “Absolute freedom can only exist in a state of Anarchy”?
* What dos the text say democracy must require each individual to do?
* A democratic government must work consistency to strike a balance between which two ideals?
* What is one thing “authority” must never be allowed to do?

**\*Quick Reminder:** Voluntary Consent of the Governed

* Means **consent given by free will, without any force or undue pressure/influence** or coercion on the person giving it on his or her