Chapter 1

**Introduction**

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TEST BANK

TRUE/FALSE

1. According to the United Nations, by the early months of 2013, the number of Syrian refugees had climbed to 1 million.

ANS: T REF: 1

1. While comedians like Stephen Colbert speak extensively about politics, political scientists have found that programs like *The* *Colbert Report* have virtually no political impact and can basically be ignored by political candidates and political party leaders.

ANS: F REF: 4

1. The term *smog* was coined in the 1970s by the Environmental Protection Agency.

ANS: F REF: 6

1. Political decisions affect life expectancies.

ANS: T REF: 7

1. As recently as the 1960s, in some places in the United States, it was illegal for African-Americans and whites to get married to each other.

ANS: T REF: 10

MULTIPLE CHOICE QUESTIONS

1. The City of the Dead is indicative of a trend showing

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| a. | movement away from cities and into rural areas as the year 2030 approaches. |
| b. | a sharp decline in the number of slums in the twenty-first century. |
| c. | both A and B. |
| d. | none of the above. |

ANS: D REF: 2

1. Ellen Johnson-Sirleaf

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| a. | was recently elected as Liberia’s first woman president. |
| b. | is the first woman to be elected president of Chile. |
| c. | was the first woman court-martialed for refusing to serve in the Iraq war. |
| d. | has been a leader in the movement to abolish the provisions allowing poor countries to seek assistance under the Heavily Indebted Poor Country Initiative. |

ANS: A REF: 3

1. Political scientist Harold Laswell taught that

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| a. | political decisions include making rules over the use of resources. |
| b. | politics rarely involves change. |
| c. | politics primarily concerns private life, not common life. |
| d. | All of the above are true. |

ANS: A REF: 5

1. According to Aristotle,

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| a. | humans have little or no need for politics. |
| b. | humans are essentially political creatures. |
| c. | authoritarianism is the best form of government. |
| d. | change occurs in private life, but not in public (political) life. |

ANS: B REF: 7

1. Art works by artists like Renee Cox

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| a. | have been supported by conservatives but not by liberals. |
| b. | have elicited opposition from political groups and, thus, have illustrated that politics appears to be connected to questions of artistic taste. |
| c. | were praised by David Easton. |
| d. | None of the above is true. |

ANS: B REF: 8

ESSAY

1. Identify the individual discussed in chapter 1 whom you would most like to meet and talk with about politics. Explain your answer by logically addressing: (a) what you find most interesting about the individual you selected, and( b) how the experiences of the person you selected differ most explicitly from your experiences.

ANS: Answers may vary.

1. Identify and discuss five issues concerning U.S. citizens at the turn of the last century. Are these concerns relevant today? Explain

ANS: Answers may vary.

1. It can be argued that the world of politics is a world of ceaseless change, a world of rule-making over life and death questions of access to resources, and a world of decision making about common life. Explain and give one example of each of these three aspects of politics.

ANS: Answers may vary.