

Sample Team Grading Rubric
For Mock Congressional Prepared Statement

Prompt:

Team members:

Directions: Respond to the above question citing specific examples from history, the Constitution, Supreme Court cases, and/or current events. All responses must be keyed using 12-point standard business font. Additionally, your response must be between two and two and a half pages. **Note:** No part of the paper may be in the first person.

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| 10 Points | 1. The introduction includes a creative ¹ thesis statement. |
| 15 Points | 2. The response includes three pertinent quotes from scholars, philosophers, statesmen, etc. Their relevance to the question clearly linked. |
| 10 Points | 3. The response incorporates and applies 3-4 relevant U.S. Supreme Court decisions. |
| 10 Points | 4. Reference and incorporation of 3-4 historical or political events or documents. |
| 10 Points | 5. All historical and/or legal terms are defined in context to the question. |
| 15 Points | 6. Three contemporary events are cited and applied to the question. |
| 15 Points | 7. The conclusion summarizes key points within the paper and does not introduce new evidence or facts. |
| 15 Points | 8. All parts of the question are answered to rubric standards and are noted in the left-hand margin using corresponding numbers. |

Paper due date: _____

Total team points: _____

Teacher comments/notes:

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