BRANCHES UNIT Test Essay Questions (15 points each)

Choose two of the following questions to answer in an essay. Write only one essay per each side of the page. Write ½ page minimum. In complete sentences, be sure to answer every part of the question in detail. Use examples as often as possible. DO NOT REPEAT THE QUESTION!

1) Based on the film *Advise and Consent*, explain the confirmation process of a Cabinet official. What are some of the problems Robert A. Leffingwell faced as an appointee for Secretary of State?

2) Using three examples from the film *Why We Fight*, answer this question: Why do we fight? Be sure to consider different viewpoints.

3) How does the presidential impeachment process work? Explain the difference between impeachment and kicking someone out of office. Also, explain how all three branches are involved in the process. Use Andrew Johnson, Bill Clinton, or Richard Nixon as an example in your answer.

4) Considering all three branches of government, explain how each one limits the power of the other two. Be sure to include every branch in your explanation of checks and balances.

5) Compare and contrast trial courts and appellate courts and their jurisdictions. Is the Supreme Court a trial or appellate court? Explain why.