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**Government Chapter 9 Essay Exam**

**Directions: Be sure to use complete sentences and address all the parts of the question to receive full credit for your responses. (88pts)**

**Section 1 Questions:**

1. **Explain how labels, organization, and sets of leaders each figure into the foundation of American politics. Also, in what two ways are American political parties different for political parties in Europe? (10pts)**
2. **Political parties are helpful towards both government and citizens. For government, describe four ways; for citizens, describe two ways. (16pts)**

**Section 2 Question:**

1. **Construct an essay about the historical development of America’s political parties. Be sure to reference each of the following parties in the correct context: Federalist party, Republican party, National Republican party, Whigs, and Democrats. (10pts)**

**Section 3&4 Question:**

1. **There are five concepts related to how political parties are structured. What are they, and how do they each contribute to forming structure for political parties? The same is true at the state level. Evaluate how political machines and sponsored parties each shape local and state political structure. (14pts)**

**Section 5 Question:**

1. **Analyze how Republicans and Democrats are alike, provide four examples. (8pts)**

**Section 6 Question:**

1. **In the section, we learned about a number of minority political parties that were not part of the two-party system. What were the three categories of minority parties? For each category, provide two examples and describe what the party stood for. (18pts)**

**Section 7 Question:**

1. **Construct an essay about how presidential candidates are nominated. Be sure to use each of the following concepts in your response: caucus; direct, closed, and open primaries; delegates; and the national convention. (12pts)**