

THEME 2: THE POLITICAL ORGANISATION OF THE UNITED STATES

OBJECTIVES AND HOMEWORK

CLASSES: SEPTEMBER 22ND and SEPTEMBER 29TH

OBJECTIVES

A. General knowledge: after this session I will be able to talk about:

- ☐ The **territorial organisation** of the United States and **federalism**.
- ☐ The main **institutions** of the **federal state**.
- ☐ The main **institutions** of the **states**.
- ☐ The current issues that concern the **workings** of those institutions.
- ☐ The main **political parties** of the United States and their **main ideas**.
- ☐ The main **figures** of the American political parties.
- ☐ **Polarization** and its influence on the political debate today.

B. Method: after this session I will be able to:

- ☐ **Anticipate** the content of a press article by looking at its title and paratext.
- ☐ **Pick out** the **essential information** of a press article and **reformulate** them.
- ☐ **Organise** a **non-linear summary** of a press article.

HOMEWORK

For the 22nd September class:

- General knowledge test: about the Prezi entitled “The political organisation of the United States”: https://prezi.com/view/aA1X8k6y2Uu1yUVdDYM3/?referral_token=0f4-aHlnB3FN

GRAMMAIRE: Revoir les règles de **la détermination du nom en anglais** : les noms dénombrables et indénombrables, l’usage des articles Ø, a / an et the :

- Grammar Guide : Chapitre 4 : *L’article the et l’article Ø, l’article a / an*, p24-30
- Bescherelle : Chapitres 36 à 40 inclus, p80-89

Faire au moins 5 exercices d’entraînement au choix

For the 29th September class:

- Vocabulary and grammar test: learn the vocabulary (given in class on September 22nd)

GRAMMAIRE: Revoir la **différence d'usage entre le présent simple et le présent be+ing** :

- Grammar Guide : Chapitre 19 : *Le présent*, p124-129
- Bescherelle : Chapitres 6 à 8 inclus, p20-25

Faire au moins 5 exercices d'entraînement au choix