

Trust and Confidence

AP GO/PO WRITING ASSIGNMENT

Directions: Write a clear, concise, and correct AP formatted essay on the following prompt. The essay must be hand written in blue or black ink pen and must be the solely the product of the student. NO SPIRAL PAPER!

Trust and confidence in government have declined in recent decades.

- (a) Explain how divided government has contributed to the decline in trust and confidence in government. Be sure to include a definition of divided government in your response.
- (b) Explain how the increased cost of election campaigns has contributed to the decline in trust and confidence in government.
- (c) Explain two specific consequences of the decline in trust and confidence in government for individual political behavior.