

Name: _____ Date: _____ Block: _____

Write a response to the following question in **at least 4 to 5 sentences**:

What are checks and balances and why are they important? (Hint: what do they prevent from happening?)

[illegible]

Rubric

Vocab	5	4-3	2	1	0
	The student uses a minimum of three vocab terms from the lesson and applies them accurately.	The student uses a minimum of three vocab terms from the lessons, but they are not accurately used.	The student uses 1-2 vocab terms from the lesson and applies them accurately.	The student uses 1-2 vocab terms, but they are not applied accurately.	The student does not use any vocab terms from the lesson.
Response	4	3-2	1-0		
	The student accurately describes and explains the importance of checks and balances.	The student states a reason why checks and balances are important, but does not provide further explanation.	The student does not address the importance of checks and balances.		
Clarity	2	1	0		
	The student meets the 4-5 sentence minimum and their response is clear.	The student writes below the 4-5 sentence minimum, but their response is still fairly clear.	The student does not meet the 4-5 sentence minimum and their response is unclear.		