

Question Set 1

Discussion questions due January 22. Must submit electronic copy to D2L dropbox by 3:15 p.m. on January 22 to receive credit. Bring a printed copy to class on January 22 to use in the discussion.

You should answer each question with one to three paragraphs. Include both the general patterns and the specific details that support these patterns.

The Culture Wars, ch. 1 – 4

1. From Chapter 2, what are the four factors that lead us to think that the American public is deeply divided?
2. From Chapter 3, on what factors are red and blue state residents different? On what factors are they similar?
3. What are the changes across various groups of Americans (other than state residency)? What is the difference between partisan sorting and popular polarization?