VICE – A House Divided

Directions: All questions should be answered in complete sentences.

- 1. How productive have the 111th, 112th, and the 113th Congresses been in comparison to all of the rest in modern history?
- 2. Per Frank Luntz, when did President Obama have "the chance to change the political culture in D.C.?" Additionally, why, specifically, did he lose that chance (what happened)?
- 3. What do the Republicans realize they can do to keep Obama from fulfilling his campaign promises? Why does this matter in the long-term for his presidency?

- 4. Regarding the stimulus package what are each of the sides pushing to get included? What happens to the Republican requests, and how do they ultimately respond?
- 5. What brought on the creation of the Tea Party?

6. How did the average American feel about Obamacare, include some of their fears?

7. Judgement vs. character – per VP Biden, why would it be worse to attack one and not the other?

- 8. Describe the decision and the election process changes that take place in 2010?
- 9. What is the 'Grand Bargain' and ultimately how are things sorted out? Be specific.
- 10. How does the 'Gang of Six' effect the results of the Grand Bargain?
- 11. Tea Party members, and eventually all House republicans, take what actions in response to their dealings with Obamacare?
- 12. The 2014 election became a major turning point in national politics. What are the results of this election?
- 13. What does Frank Luntz predict for the future of the United States?
- 14. Why did Donald J. Trump win the 2016 presidential election? Give supporting details.
- 15. Opinion: Where do we go from here as a divided, polarized, and deeply troubled "house"? If you were in charge, what changes would you make to preserve our union?