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Session Overview

- Clarify ExpectationsUnderstand exam format and expectations.
- 3 Essay Strategies
 Discuss effective strategies for essay questions.

- Review Key Concepts
 Explore theories, concepts, and policy areas.
- Q&A
 Opportunity to ask questions and get answers.

Exam Format and Expectations

Essay Exam Format

Choose 3 out of 5 essay questions.

Responses must include policy theories, real-world examples, and structured responses.

Focus Areas

Policy theories (Kingdon, ACF, Punctuated Equilibrium).

Policy conflicts, tools, and implementation.

Environmental, energy, homeland security, and safety policies.



Policy Process Theories

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Kingdon's Multiple Streams

Problem, policy, and politics streams.



Punctuated Equilibrium Theory

Long periods of stability followed by rapid change.



Advocacy Coalition Framework

Competing coalitions drive policy change.

Policy Conflicts and Resolution

Sources of Conflict

Stakeholder interests, resource competition, ideology.

Resolution Strategies

Negotiation, mediation, collaboration, litigation.

Example

Climate change mitigation policies.



Environmental and Energy Policy



Climate Change Policies

Cap-and-trade, subsidies, clean energy incentives.



Equity

Balancing energy transitions and impacts on communities.



Policy Tools

Regulations vs. market-based solutions.

Homeland Security and Foreign Policy



Implementation Challenges

Coordination across local, state, and federal agencies.



Border Security Initiatives

Example of a key policy area.



Cybersecurity Policies

Another example of a key policy area.

Advocacy Coalitions in Action

Underride truck safety: families of victims, engineers, bipartisan legislators.

Trucking industry: cost and feasibility concerns.

Media attention + advocacy triggered action but stalled due to lobbying.

Coalitions drive change but face challenges from opposing interests.



Practice Question Instructions

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Break into Groups

Form small groups for discussion.

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Outline Response

Develop a response to a practice question.

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Include Elements

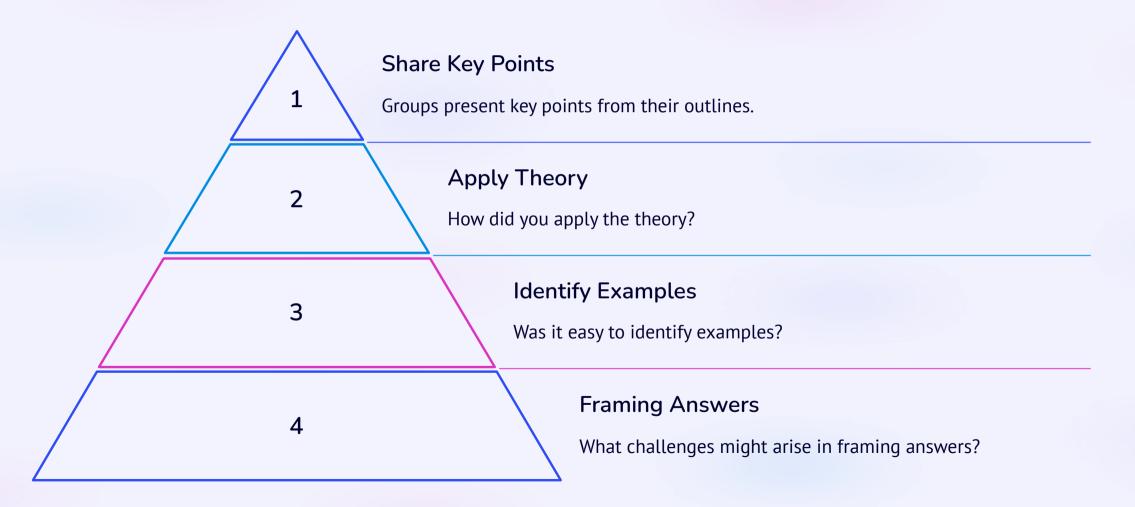
- Theory to frame argument
- Real-world example
- Key arguments and conclusion

Sample Question

Using the Advocacy Coalition Framework, explain how coalitions influence public policy outcomes. Provide a real-world example.



Group Discussion Debrief



Exam Tips for Success



Time Management

Allocate 30-40 minutes per essay.



Essay Structure

Introduction, body, and conclusion.



Focus on Theories

Use Kingdon, ACF, Punctuated Equilibrium, etc.



Real-World Examples

Link theories to real-world cases.





Final Q&A

Time for questions and clarifications.

Remember, you've mastered the key tools and theories. Now, trust your understanding and apply those concepts to real-world examples.

Thank You & Good Luck!

You've equipped yourselves with the knowledge and skills to navigate the complexities of public policy. Now, go make a difference.

