Political Reading #2 Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Due: Tuesday, Feb. 2nd Period: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Last Chance: Thursday, Feb. 4th

1. Define geopolitics:

2. What did Ratzel believe was necessary for a state to grow? What was the term he used to describe this theory?

3. What group took Ratzel’s idea and what did they do to try to create a larger country?

4. Figure 7.13: What did MacKinder believe regarding the Heartland? Based on his belief, what country is in the best position to be able to protect itself and sustain itself?

5. Describe the domino theory. How would this affect US foreign policy?

6. What does Huntington believe is the most important component to a person’s identity? What is created when two of these clash in certain areas of the world? Do you agree that this is the most important component? Why or why not?

7. What is deterritorialization? Do you agree with this way of thinking?

8. What are some countries that sponsor terrorism?

9. What are some examples of terrorist groups? What are the different reasons they are fighting?

10. What are the goals of Al-Qaeda? How do they go about reaching this goal?

11. How can technology change the way terrorist attacks are planned? What has the US done to try to combat terrorism?

12. What is the difference between majority-plurality representation and proportional representation?

13. Define reapportionment and redistricting.

Reappointment

Redistricting

14. What is gerrymandering? What can gerrymandering do to those being represented? Use the examples from Arizona and Texas.

15. What is an excess vote technique? What is a wasted vote technique?

16. How has the government attempted to prevent gerrymandering from happening?