**AP US Government –**

**Reading Guide – Chapter 3, pages 55-68**

**Due November 23th**

**25 points**

**Terms:** fiscal federalism categorical grants block grants unfunded mandates coercive federalism federal preemptions competitive federalism remedial

**Federalism today (pages 68-83)**

1) What does it mean that the past twenty years could be described as the “era of balanced federalism”? 68

2) What is Fiscal Federalism?

* What is is the difference between the two types of grants-in-aid?
  + Categorical grants
  + Block Grants

3) Describe what is New Federalism.

3) Explain the recent developments that reinforce the idea of national supremacy. 72-73

4) How have states responded to this environment? 74-75

5) Explain the role of the Supreme Court in shifting federalism back towards the states. Your answer must include

* The tenth amendment
* The 14th amendment
* The Commerce Clause

6) How do present perspectives on federalism reflect political ideologies? 79

7) What are the advantages and disadvantages of federalism?