

Examen Political business strategy

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(TIP for next years: bring a dictionary, there are many difficult words in the articles)

Q1: Article about Yellowstone and wolves from 2015

- a) Are there sound economic efficiencies for the government to intervene? Unsure, but I put yes, some externalities and high transaction costs
- b) What 2 policies could the government implement to get to the optimal amount of wolves?
- c) Should the rangers and environmentalists care which ones they implement? I used Coase Theorem but unsure
- d) What is the nature of political competition? Majoritarian or entrepreneurial (unclear whether the environmentalists were organised)
- e) Are there sound economic efficiencies for the government to intervene in regards to the snow mobiles? Yes, negative externalities like noise and pollution

Q2: Article about the special election in Alabama where the democrat candidate won from 2018 (Tip for next years: read up on the American election system, all the articles were American ones) → This was a very strange question.

- a) Did the Republican party choose the wrong candidate (they chose a very extreme right one), why? Yes, Median Voter Theory
- b) In general, what type of candidates do you expect to win the first round? And second rounds? What about a 2 party system, like the US?
- c) Even if they chose a good candidate, it wouldn't necessarily mean the republicans would win. Give 2 reasons why, which one is applicable to the situation in Alabama?
- d) This was a special election, why will the results be corrected at the next normal election?

Q3: Article about Boeing planes crashing

- a) Are there sound economic efficiencies for the government to intervene? Unsure, but I put yes, moral hazard (they abused their power position)
- b) If you were in charge, which nonmarket strategies would you have used, explain? Representational strategies, rent chain! (there are only 2 plane producers Airbus and Boeing and over a million employees working at Boeing or it's suppliers)
- c) Which I (of the 4 I's) did they ignore, explain? Information
- d) What is the strongest nonmarket asset of Boeing, explain? Coalition, they represent a lot of people