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Chapter 02: Domestic Responses

1. Should political science be considered a science? Why (not)?
2. Draw a system map of the country you live in or the university you attend. Explain in a paragraph or less how each of the elements in your systems map affects the others directly or indirectly.
3. Comparative analysis helps us understand the similarities and differences between phenomena. Thus, in the book, Hauss cites the fact that voter turnout is much lower in the United States than in the United Kingdom. Given what you know at this point, which of the elements of the political system best helps you understand those differences? Why did you reach this conclusion?
4. Of the major system components discussed in Chapter 2, input (political culture, supports and demands), the state, outputs (public policy), which is most important in understanding politics in the country you live/study in?
5. Chapter 2 includes a template that features historical (imperialism and state building) and contemporary (pressure from below and globalization). Show how each of them applies to the country that you live/study in.