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**Reply one: Topic 1**

**Question A**

Hi [name],

I agree with you that politicians nowadays use social media to spread their political agenda more than television and radio. According to my understanding, this is true since many people, organizations, and media stations are using social media to spread information. I came across an article written by Ananya Sen and Maria Petrova titled “Social Media and Political Contributions: The Impact of New Technology on Political Competition.” It said that political new entrants could gain a significant increase in backing by utilizing social media platforms that are free and easily accessible to anyone connected to the internet. The discovery is significant because it demonstrates how social networking may encourage competition in elections since money and accessibility to official communication channels are significant hurdles to new competitors. Being cheap is also another case since it enables politicians to use them. For instance, posting information on Twitter, Facebook, or Instagram requires only internet data connectivity compared to advertisements on TV, which requires a lot of money.

**Reply two: Topic two**

**Question B**

Hi [Name],

After reading your discussion, I absolutely concur with you that an individual’s “worldview” can be answered using religion, culture, and life experiences. Talking about religion, I know that faiths like Islam, Christianity, Buddhism, Hinduism, and Judaism believe that they were created by a supreme being they call different names, depending on religion. I have interacted with several Muslim friends and had conversations on various topics. They too believe the same thing as you do that they are descendants of ‘Adam and Eve’ who were created by God, whom you call “Allah.” The same philosophy applies to me as a Christian. On the question of what defines right and wrong, my religion (Christianity) tells us to be obedient since wrongdoers (Sinners) will be punished at the end of life. Moreover, I agree with you that Islam believers are guided by “sunnah.” My Muslim friends kept telling me that there will be endless suffering for sinners (in hell). Finally, “what happens when we die?” multiple people have different opinions on this question. Be its believers or non-believers since one might be a non-believer and their explanation of the afterlife relates to existing religion’s beliefs.