Intro to Law – Unit 1 Test (Ch 1-6)

Review Sheet

30 Questions: Multiple Choice & Matching

What Is Law?

-know how the term “law” is defined

-know the goals of the US legal system

Criminal & Civil Law Overview

-know the parties in a criminal case and in a civil case

-be able to define felony and misdemeanor offenses

-know what is meant by “preponderance of evidence” and “beyond a reasonable doubt”

The US Constitution

-know the branches of the federal government and what each is designed to do

-be able to define checks, balances, federalism, and judicial review

-know the Bill of Rights (1st 10 Amendments)

Congress – law making body

­-know the make up of the House and Senate

-know the significance of the Speaker of the House and the President Pro-Tempore of the Senate

-know the significance of the “Supremacy Clause” of the Constitution

-know the basic progression of how a bill becomes a law

Arbitration and Mediation

-what is distinguishing factor between them

-who orchestrates them

Trial Courts

-know the names of parties involved

-know the steps in a trial

-be able to define: voir dire, removal for cause, peremptory challenge

-majority opinion, dissenting opinion, concurring opinion, precedent

-know the structure of the federal and state court systems

-what is a petition for certiorari

Lawyers

-when do you need one and how do you retain one?

-define: retainer, contingency fee, attorney-client privilege