

1. What examples exist of presidents who were troubled or affected by the paradoxes listed? Explain any two historical examples in the reading.
2. Pick two of the nine paradoxes which you feel best apply (positively or negatively) to President Biden/Trump and explain why you believe that is the case. Support your answer with specific examples (do a bit of basic research if you need to).
3. How well did President Biden/Trump manage to internalize awareness of the paradoxes; in other words, how has he responded to them either successfully or not? How well do you feel he compared to another President on the same paradoxes?
4. A reading of these paradoxes usually leaves the reader with a feeling that such requirements on a President are unfair and impossible to achieve. Why do you feel they continue to exist even if we know no individual can possibly approach meeting all of whatever we expect?