Teacher Answer Key

Case Study

1. Unusual boundaries suggest intentional inclusion or exclusion of certain voters.

2. Officials claim it's population balancing, but selective shifts may point to political motives.

Multiple Choice

1. D

2. B

3. A

Matching

1-B, 2-D, 3-E, 4-C, 5-A

Fill-in-the-Blank

1) gerrymandering, 2) swing district, 3) GIS

Short Answer (Sample Responses)

Q1: Critics might sue if they believe the map denies fair representation or violates voter rights.

Q2: Urban districts may be smaller in area but densely populated; rural ones cover more land to reach equal population.

Q3: Possible reforms include independent commissions, clear criteria for district shapes, or proportional representation.