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Examination paper for SOS2501 Norwegian Society

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Define 6 out of 8 terms
Write maximum half a page

Political cleavages
Integration
The resource curse
The Sami Assembly
The Norwegian Constitution
The Labor Party (Ap)
NATO
The Nordic Healthcare systems

Choose one of the three essays questions:

1. **Norway as a sport nation**: Outline some characteristics of Norway as a sport nation (the participation pattern in physical activity and sports and the ideal types of sports) and discuss some potentials and challenges related to the Norwegian sport model to fulfill the aim of ‘sport for all’.

2. **Different approaches in culture & political culture**: Using studies of resources and opportunity structures for explaining why some succeed and others do not is not enough to explain different approaches in culture. Norms, values and discourses have to be used as well, and symbols and meanings from movements can also be helpful to understand collective actions. So; why do some movements succeed and others do not? This a major focus in sociology and political science. Keeping the article on Commercial Whaling in mind, discuss how international anti-whaling movements and Norwegian environmental organizations have different approaches. Explain how they differ in results regarding framing their issues towards public opinion and resource-management/government in the international community, and towards nations that still do whaling and those who fight against it.

3. **Foreign Policy**: Define foreign policy and explain how Foreign Policy Analysis may shed light on foreign policy phenomena. Illustrate with examples.