

Subject	UK Politics
Context	When you start this course, we will study modules on Participation and Elections. You need to be aware of the methods in which people vote, the policies that parties stand for and why people are becoming disengaged with the voting process. The specification also has an emphasis on the changing nature of democracy, as well as the way in which the UK is governed.
Securing	<p>Define the following key terms that you will be using a lot over the next two years – This needs to be no more than a sentence, and in your own words. You may wish to create flash cards with the key term on one side, and the details on the reverse. Test yourself on these details so that you are ready for a quiz in our first lesson.</p> <p>:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Power • Authority • Legitimacy • Direct democracy • Representative democracy • Incumbency • Sovereignty • Parliamentary sovereignty • Referendum (UK – not US!) • Westminster model • Manifesto • Mandate • Party system • Electoral system
Processing	<p>Go to these links here for information about the UK's three major parties:</p> <p>Change Labour Party Manifesto 2024 Conservative Manifesto 2024 (conservatives.com) For a Fair Deal - Liberal Democrats Manifesto 2024 - Liberal Democrats (libdems.org.uk)</p> <p>These links take you to the manifesto policies for the 3 main parties for the 2024 General Election.</p> <p>I would like you to summarise each party's policies from each manifesto in the following areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Economic policies • Social policies (e.g. education, the NHS, welfare) • Law and order • Foreign policy <p>Now, choose 1 policy from each party and explain why you support OR do not support that policy.</p> <p>Success criteria: You must write 100 - 200 words for each policy, writing in full sentences to explain your view.</p>

Exploring	<p>Answer each question below in no fewer than 100 words</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Cameron Years Watch the documentary here: YouTube <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Why did Cameron call the 2016 Brexit referendum? b) How did the referendum campaign play out? 2. Read the article on the SNP: ‘The SNP are in trouble’: Scottish voters on the drama at Holyrood Scottish politics The Guardian <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Why have the SNP had three leaders in the past two years? b. What does the article suggest about why Scottish voters are losing faith in the SNP? 3. Read the article on the Labour Party pledges going into the next election: What are Labour’s six pledges and how likely is their success? Labour The Guardian <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. What will the biggest challenge for Labour be in achieving these pledges, why?
Reviewing	<p>Reflect on what you have learned through this work by doing the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Note down 5 new things that you found most interesting • What did you find most challenging and what did you feel most confident with? • Write down 3 questions that you would like to ask your teacher about the topic area(s) that you have been introduced to

Subject	UK Government
Context	<p>When you start the course, we will be studying the UK Constitution. You need to be aware of how the constitution has developed over time and, more specifically, how it has been reformed in the last 25 years or so. The specification also looks at whether further reform is needed.</p>
Securing	<p>Define the following key terms that you will be using a lot over the next two years. This needs to be no more than a sentence, and in your own words. You may wish to create flash cards with the key term on one side, and the details on the reverse. Test yourself on these details so that you are ready for a quiz in our first lesson.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Constitution • Codified • Entrenched • Parliamentary sovereignty • Unitary constitution • Federalism • Statute • Constitutional convention • Common law • Authoritative work
Processing	<p>These links summarise the key principles underpinning the UK Constitution.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parliamentary Sovereignty • Rule of Law

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Constitutional conventions <p>THE DOCTRINE OF PARLIAMENT SOVEREIGNTY The Lawyers & Jurists (lawyersnjurists.com)</p> <p>What is the Rule of Law and why is it an important principle of the UK Constitution? Politics Teaching (Currently being rebuilt for September 2022)</p> <p>What are constitutional conventions? The Constitution Unit - UCL – University College London</p> <p>I would like you to summarise each principle, in your own words, and be ready to discuss these when we start the course.</p> <p>Success criteria: write around half a page for each principle, writing in full sentences to explain your ideas.</p>
Exploring	<p>‘The Brexit Storm – Laura Kuenssberg’s Inside Story’</p> <p>Watch the documentary here BBC: The Brexit Storm: Laura Kuenssberg's Inside Story - Bing video</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. How did the aftermath of the Brexit referendum affect the unity of the country? 5. How did the aftermath of the Brexit referendum affect the unity of the Conservative Party? 6. How has the Brexit referendum affected the nature of UK politics since 2016 generally?
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