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Elevate: Transition- Y11 into Y12

Politics: For Students Studying Edexcel
A Level



Introduction Welcome to A Level study! You will quickly learn that power is at the heart of politics. It determines who gets what, when, and how. Politics is the struggle over scarce resources and the means through which the struggle is conducted.



Debate and disagreement lie at the heart of this subject – even when competing politicians seem to be saying the same thing. It is a subject of rival views and one without any absolute answers, so you need to take on the challenge of considering different viewpoints, perspectives, and opinions – and to think for yourself– so that you can formulate powerful arguments and express them convincingly. Uniquely, Politics is a living subject so you will see much of what you are studying happening in the ‘real world’. Your ‘elevate’ tasks are linked to this

Task 1- First, however, you need to be organised. You need to buy a folder and once completed file your **news diary stories** and explanation correctly. Choose **at least 5 key** events that you can talk about. You will need to write about these too. 100-word summary -**Why political** -**Why significant** -**Why you chose it**

Get ready for the **presentation**. A lesson will be dedicated to presenting and what it makes you think about key political events. Your first impressions will be made with what you say and how prepared you are! -<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/politics>

Task 2- Read / research/ in detail about the 2017 and 2019 elections

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/election/2017/results>

<https://commonslibrary.parliament.uk/research-briefings/cbp-7979/>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/election/2019/results>

<https://commonslibrary.parliament.uk/research-briefings/cbp-8749/>

1. What were the results for each party in terms of seats for each election? In terms of votes for each of the parties for each election? Is there anything that surprised you?
2. What was the turnout for each election? Is this surprising?
3. Look at each of the elections in terms of what swayed people to vote- age, gender, class, region, media coverage, confidence in politicians. What factors seem to be important in terms of what people vote?

And a final challenge- Listen to this-: BBC 4 Podcast- The Moral Maze-The moral duty of MPs - <https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/m0002828>