

The department of Social Sciences seeks to introduce and sustain a commitment to the pursuit of excellence by assisting students to develop a capacity for independent thought and critical analysis, by nurturing the enquiring mind. We aim to promote the Social Sciences to prepare students to become informed and responsible global citizens. Learning is promoted through skill development, designed to prepare students for their role as future leaders.

Whilst studying Politics our students will be encouraged to:

- develop a critical awareness of the nature of politics and the relationship between political ideas, institutions and processes
- acquire knowledge and understanding of the structures of authority and power within the UK
- · know and understand the rights and responsibilities of the individual
- develop an interest in and engagement with contemporary politics

By developing their understanding of the workings of political institutions, as well as the ways in which people take part in political processes, students will become equipped to help maintain a vigorous democracy. Students will gain an understanding of how Politics shapes our lives and the type of society we live in.

# TLS Politics A-level Curriculum





## **Revision and Recap**

To recap content and revise for forthcoming exams

## Political Ideology

Develop awareness of the different political ideologies Analyse and evaluate the different political ideologies

- Liberalism
- Socialism
- Conservatisn
- Feminism

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## Government and Politics of the USA and Comparative Politics

Develop awareness of the role of Politics in the USA Analyse and evaluate the role of Politics in the USA Scrutinise and make comparisons across the two political systems

- · The electoral process and direct democracy
- Political parties
- Pressure Groups
- Civil rights

Government and Politics of the USA and Comparative Politics Develop

Develop awareness of the role of Government in the USA

Analyse and evaluate the role of Government in the USA Scrutinise and make comparisons across the two political

- The Judiciary
- The constitutional framework of US government
- The judicial branch of government
- The legislative branch of government congress
- The executive branch of government President
- The relationship between the presidency and other institution

**Government and Politics of the UK** Develop awareness of the role of Politics in the UK

Analyse and evaluate the role of Politics in the UK

- UK democracy
- UK elections
- UK referendums
- UK Political Parties
- UK Pressure Groups



### Government and Politics of the UK

Develop awareness of the role of Government in the UK Analyse and evaluate the role of Government in the UK

- UK Constitution
- UK and devolution
- UK European Union
- UK Parliament