

# A Level Politics

**Edexcel (Pearson Edexcel Level 3 Advanced GCE in Politics (9PL0))**

**Books you will be provided with:**

UK Government and Politics – by Cooper & McNaughton- Pub: Hodder Education (7<sup>th</sup> ed)

**Resources you may choose to buy/look at (although these are entirely optional):**

- There are workbooks available from Edexcel – Series ed Eric McGee, which could be useful
- Watch and read the news, <https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/politics> is a good start
- 'The Rest is Politics' – weekly podcast by Alistair Campbell & Rory Stewart

**Submitting work:**

Please bring in your work to the first lesson.

Ideally email the article (and any of your other work) to [jacksonj@wallingfordschool.com](mailto:jacksonj@wallingfordschool.com)

Work to be completed by 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2025:

1. Research to answer the following questions:
  - What is a liberal democracy?
  - How democratic is the UK?
  - What issues need democratic reform in the UK?
  - Make notes on the extent of democracy in one country more democratic than the UK, and one country less democratic than the UK.
2. Make a timeline of the British Prime Ministers from WW2 – present, adding information about notable achievements/failures.
3. Bring in one news story (about anything political, worldwide) to present for discussion in the first lesson – could be as early as Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September.

This will require some research – online and in books- especially for the democracy questions. The USA under Trump would be an excellent example of democracy under threat!

Parents and grandparents are a great source of information about Prime Ministers and allow you to develop the skill of spotting the bias and keeping your notes neutral! You can produce this timeline in any way that you like but it is useful to have a picture, their political party, their greatest achievements and the failures.

Be prepared to talk about your news article including your opinion.

**If you have any problems or questions, please email Mr Jackson:**

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