# **PREPARING FOR A LEVEL POLITICS**



#### Dear Year 11

I know that some of you are thinking of studying A Level Politics. I hope that this document will help you to get started in your studies and give you an idea of what to expect from the subject.

I am not suggesting that you buy everything on this list, it is easy enough to start paying close attention to political developments and using some of the other resources in this document.

The course we study is linked below. In Year 12 we study UK Government and UK Politics. In Year 13 we will be studying Political Ideologies and Government and Politics of the USA. <a href="https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/edexcel-a-levels/politics-2017.html">https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/edexcel-a-levels/politics-2017.html</a>

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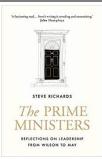




introduction



The British
Constitution: A
very short
introduction



Steve Richards, The Prime Ministers



Isabel Hardman, Why we get the wrong politicians







BBC Politics Live



Panorama



The news, on a variety of channels

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### **Politics Podcasts**

The Political Party https://www.mattforde.com/podcast

The Bugle <a href="https://thebuglepodcast.com/">https://thebuglepodcast.com/</a>

The Spectator https://www.spectator.co.uk/podcasts

The New Statesman <a href="https://player.fm/series/the-new-statesman-podcast-98598">https://player.fm/series/the-new-statesman-podcast-98598</a>

Reasons to be Cheerful <a href="https://www.cheerfulpodcast.com/reasons-to-be-cheerful-ed-miliband-geoff-lloyd">https://www.cheerfulpodcast.com/reasons-to-be-cheerful-ed-miliband-geoff-lloyd</a>

The Red Box https://play.acast.com/s/timesredbox

### **Politics Websites**

UK Parliament https://www.parliament.uk/business/news/

BBC Politics <a href="https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/politics">https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/politics</a>

Conservative Home https://www.conservativehome.com/

LabourList <a href="https://labourlist.org/">https://labourlist.org/</a>

Huffington Post https://www.huffingtonpost.co.uk/politics/

Politics https://politics.co.uk/

# Free Online Courses

There are lots of courses available online that you can complete for free, that will give you a good introduction to the course.

#### What is Politics?

https://www.open.edu/openlearn/society-politics-law/what-politics/content-section-0?active-tab=description-tab

American Government: Constitutional Foundations

https://www.edx.org/course/american-government-constitutional-foundations

US Government: Foundations, democracy and Politics

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politics?source=aw&awc=6798 1585929049 bfe9126a5df9d71ee3160e9f6e11ac08&utm so

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