

St Joseph's Law and Politics Department

Politics Assessment Map

Year/Term	Sub Concepts:	Curriculum Assessed	Assessment Type
Year 12 Term 1	Paper One- Politics of the UK	Nature of democracy, representative/direct democracy, participation	1. 9 mark question on democracy
	Democracy and Participation	Pressure groups, rights, participation crisis	2. 9 mark question on pressure groups
	Electoral Systems	Improving democracy, FPTP, SV/AV & List system	3. 25 mark extract on pressure groups
	Devolution	Devolution, debates surrounding the Union	4. 25 mark extract on participation crisis
	Voting	Liberalism - origins Human nature	5. 9 mark question on liberalism
	Liberalism	Liberalism - state, society, economy	
Year 12 Term 2	Voting	Voting behaviour - race, region, economy	1. 25 mark essay on FPTP
	Political Parties	Political parties - Labour/Conservatives/Lib Dems	
		Minor parties/funding, Constitution/sources	2. 9 mark question on political parties
	New Labour changes, Conservatives changes		

	Nature and sources of the Constitution	Strengths and weaknesses of constitution Parliament and legislation	3. 9 mark question on sources of the constitution
	Introduction to executive branch	Liberalism - phases Liberalism - key thinker review	4. 25 mark extract on liberalism
	Cabinet and PM Liberalism	Parliamentary oversight-PMQ/debate/Committees Representation- theories, executive branch-role/powers of PM	5. 25 mark essay on committees
Year 12 Term 3	Judicial Branch/impact of the Supreme Court	Cabinet/PM relations, individual/collective responsibility Presidential thesis	1. 25 mark essay on Cabinet/PM power
	EU	Cabinet/PM relations, individual/collective responsibility Presidential thesis	2. 25 mark essay on whether the PM is too powerful
	Conservatism	Politics of the UK	3. Mock Paper 1
		Conservatism - origins Human nature Conservatism - state, society, economy	4. 9 mark and 25 mark extract on conservatism
		The Supreme Court of the UK	5. 25 mark extract on the Supreme Court

Year 13 Term 1	Conservatism	Conservatism - phases/key thinkers	1. 9 mark question on Conservatism
	Socialism	Socialism - state, society, economy	
	Feminism	Socialism - phases/key thinker review	2. 25 mark extract on Socialism
	Politics of the UK		
	Comparative politics USA	Politics of the UK	3. Mock Paper 1
	Election processes	Political Ideologies	4. Mock Paper 3
	Electoral Process - primaries/caucuses Electoral College - strengths/weaknesses	5. 25 mark extract on Electoral College	
Year 13 Term 2	Midterms	Voting behaviour - midterms/STV	1. 9 mark question on comparative theory
	Pressure Groups	Turnout/direct democracy	
	Political Parties	Pressure groups/types/methods	2. 25 mark question on comparative theory – pressure groups
	Constitution	Influence - courts/congress, PACs	
Congress	Politics of the UK or Political Ideologies	3. Mock Paper 1 or 3 – chosen for individual student	

		Politics of the USA	4. Mock Paper 2
		Executive branch - powers of president, VP/persuade/direct action Domestic/foreign president, Cabinet/EXOP	5. 25 mark essay on executive branch comparison
Year 13 Term 3		Is the Party Over? Constitution – nature, federalism, amendments Checks and balances	1. 9 mark question on checks and balances
		Is the president too powerful? Imperial or imperiled? Supreme Court - composition/constructionist, politicisation of the SC and why so powerful Active/restrained - protection of rights	2. 25 mark extract on the Supreme Court