



Politics Independent Study Support

INDEPENDENT STUDY – Preparation Consolidation Reflection

Remember you should be studying one hour independently for every hour of lesson time. In your independent study periods, once homework and assignments are complete, you should complete tasks from the following list:

Preparation

- Refer to your curriculum overview and read the next section in the textbook and make notes to get familiar with the material for the next few lessons.
- Complete wider reading from Politics Review Magazine online on upcoming topics.
- Complete wider reading using sources such as *The Spectator*, *Private Eye*, *New Statesman* or *The Economist*. Or alternative on television watch *The News* - It is important that you watch the news regularly or a political TV programmes such as *Newsnight*, *Question Time*, *Peston* or *The Andrew Marr Show*. Please remember that all these programmes are available on the i-player. *BBC Sounds* gives you access to the *Today* programme or *Today in Parliament*, *Westminster Hour*, *Any Questions*, *Weekly Political Review* or *Political Thinking*. Then complete a record like this below:



Date	News source	Summary of news	Impact on UK Politics
01.06.21	TV news Website Newspaper Radio Podcast	What happened? Why?	This has meant that...

- Use your Study Guide for each unit to go over the recent topic and complete research tasks in the guides.
- Complete some reading from your wider reading log.

Consolidation

- Read over your notes from last lesson and type them up or make a revision card on that topic.
- Take a returned essay, read the comments, and then have a second go and resubmit.
- Use your textbook and the library / internet to add to your class notes from the last lesson. (On Political Ideas also use the four small workbooks provided).
- Use your Study Guide for each unit to go over the recent topic and complete research tasks in the guides.
- Organise your folder. Ensure all work is in order and up to date.



Reflection

- Use *Seneca* to complete the online quizzes on earlier topics to keep this information fresh or complete *100 words challenge* to sum up a topic in 100 words.
- Make revision mind maps or flashcards to test your knowledge on previous learning.
- Use the Revision Guides provided to complete the activities within them to support your learning.
- Complete additional questions from past papers or the various guides.
- Make a glossary of key words or fact file of key people or ideas.

