



SIXTH FORM

FRAMWELLGATE SCHOOL DURHAM

Preparation for A Level Politics

Specification:

Course Title	A Level Politics		Exam Board	AQA
Module	Title	Weighting	Assessment Method	
Paper 1	Government and Politics of the UK	33.3%	2 hour exam	
Paper 2	The government and politics of the USA, Comparative Politics	33.3%	2 hour exam	
Paper 3	Political Ideas	33.3%	2 hour exam	

Resources needed for the first lesson in September:

You will be expected to keep an organised ring-binder files of notes and resources. Within each file, use subject dividers to separate your work into key topics. In order to keep work neat and tidy within your file, you are strongly advised to place your work in **punched plastic pockets**. All of these organisational items should be bought **before the start of the course**.

Essential Textbook:

UK Government and Politics for AS/A Level – Philip Lynch, Paul Fairclough, Toby Cooper (Hodder Education, 2017)

Tasks:

1. Write a paragraph describing the **difference between power and authority**.
2. "Referendums do more harm than good". Discuss, using recent examples such as the referendums on EU membership (2016) and Scottish Independence (2014) **500 words minimum**
3. "Anyone who says they are not interested in politics is like a drowning man who insists he is not interested in water." What do you think Mahatma Gandhi meant by this quote and do you think this quote has relevance in modern Britain? **500 words minimum**

Tasks to be handed to Mr Brown during the first timetabled Politics lesson.

Reading:

Ensure you have investigated some of these websites before your first Politics lesson in September:

<https://keydifferences.com/difference-between-power-and-authority.html>

<https://www.parliament.uk/get-involved/elections/referendums-held-in-the-uk/>

<http://www.historylearningsite.co.uk/democracy.htm>

<http://direct-democracy.co.uk/>

http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/programmes/bbc_parliament/2442905.stm

Deadline Date: **Tuesday 4th September**