

How to Pass:

Higher Politics

Topics

- ✓ Ideologies - conservatism, liberalism, socialism, feminism, nationalism and fascism.
- ✓ Concepts such as power, authority and legitimacy.
- ✓ Political systems of the UK and the USA
- ✓ Different forms of elections, referenda and voting systems.
- ✓ Voting behaviour models



SKILLS

- ❖ Organisation.
- ❖ Time management.
- ❖ Attention to detail.
- ❖ Forming opinions and confidently justifying them with evidence to the class.
- ❖ Listening and understanding the views of others.
- ❖ Extended response writing.
- ❖ Analysing information from a variety of sources.

Assessments

❖ November

❖ Political Theory

❖ January

❖ Political Systems

❖ March

❖ Political Parties and Elections

❖ Assignment

❖ To be started before Christmas.





Worth 30 out of the 110 marks available for this course. Students must choose a topic with very limited teacher guidance/support and then write an essay in exam conditions. More specifically pupils need to:

- ❖ **Identify a Politics issue**
- ❖ **Research the issue**
- ❖ **Synthesise and analyse information**
- ❖ **Reach a decision on the issue**
- ❖ **Show detailed knowledge and understanding**

Pupils are given 90 minutes to write up their essay.

SQA EXAM –

Monday 29th April 2019

Paper 1 (essays) – 1-2.45pm

Paper 2 (sources) – 3.15 – 4.30pm

Structure of question papers

Paper 1 - Two 20 mark essays and one 12 mark essay across the three units (52 marks).

Paper 2 - One 'to what extent' question worth 20 marks and one 'conclusions/comparison' question worth 8 marks (28 marks).

Success in Politics

- **Structured and regular revision using revision techniques that work. The school revision booklet can help with this.**
- **Understanding the questions and knowing how to structure the answers.**
- **Completing questions under strict timed conditions so pupils are more prepared for the exam experience.**
- **Keeping up to date with Political events around the world so that essays are packed full of knowledge.**
- **Understanding the importance of the assignment and being fully prepared for the write up.**



How can you



- ❖ Encourage your child to read newspapers and watch the news.
- ❖ Discuss the news with them.
- ❖ Check homework is done on time – SMH and Google Classroom.
- ❖ Ensure resources are organised at home.
- ❖ Access the SQA website and download past papers and marking instructions
- ❖ Encourage your child to seek my help if they feel they are struggling to understand.
- ❖ Encourage a structured approach to revision without distractions.

Sleeping in is okay.
Sleep = better quality study.

SEPTEMBER

good!

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
<p>10-12 Trigonometry Page 10-25</p> <p>1-4 Grammar exercises page 5-25</p>	<p>9-11 Revise week 10</p> <p>1-3:30 Read pages 50-150</p> <p>5pm Netball</p> <p>Dinner w/mum</p>	<p>9-12 Write module A essay.</p> <p>Go for a walk</p> <p>2-5 Group study ALL calculus exercises</p>	<p>9-midday REHEARSAL</p> <p>3-6 Practice comprehension on class handout.</p>	<p>9-10 Exercise ③ pg 11</p> <p>12-2 Write Module A essay</p> <p>Celebrate Rosie's birthday!</p>	<p>Netball match 😊</p> <p>FUN TIMES</p>	<p>ALL DAY GROUP REHEARSAL</p>
<p>Breakfast with dad. 🍦</p> <p>11-1 Revise subjunctive tense</p> <p>3-5 Learn Module A essay</p>	<p>9-11 Revise weeks 11-13 & make flash cards.</p> <p>12-3 pg 10-30</p> <p>5pm Netball</p> <p>Night off!</p>	<p>ALL DAY GROUP REHEARSAL</p>	<p>9-11 Practice speech out loud!</p> <p>12-2 Shorten module A essay.</p>	<p>9-11 Practice exam 2012</p> <p>READ TEXT (1 hour)</p>	<p>Take the day off! 😊</p>	<p>9-12 Revise errors from 2 weeks until exam!</p>

specific

Maths —
English —
French —

Colour coding is excellent.

This is okay!

