



St Edward's School

Government and Politics

Summer Examination Series 2022 – Advice and Guidance for Parents and Carers

What are the key guidance points from the Advanced Information?

- Students will be provided with an advanced list of topics that will make the main focus on the examination.
- The topics are listed in specification order, not question order. Therefore, they could be 9 marks, an extract question or a 25 mark question.
- Due to the synoptic nature of the assessments the information provided is to assist in providing the main content focus. However, students will need to use other areas of the course in a synoptic way to ensure they are able to access the higher grade boundaries.
- The full list of advanced topics is available for anyone on the AQA website. The guidance is separated into UK/ US and ideologies.

What are the main adaptations to the exam?

Advanced notice of topics is provided on the AQA website, a link is here:

<https://filestore.aqa.org.uk/content/summer-2022/AQA-7152-AI-22.PDF>

There will be no changes to the number, format or structure of the exam.

There is no guidance for ideologies 9 markers, so students will need to revise all three core ideologies.

Students will complete 3x 2 hour exams (UK Government and Politics, US Government and Politics and ideologies) as normal.

How will we use this information?

We will continue to teach the specification as a whole, to ensure that students are able to use all topics synoptically.

Students have been provided the advanced list of topics, and are guided to focus their revision primarily in those areas, with additional revision on the non-examined areas that may support synoptic links and the comparative element of the course.

Students will be guided in home learning and their own time to revise these areas.

What can you do?

Ensure that students revise outside of the advanced information- as the paper is comparative and synoptic, you will need an understanding of the course as a whole. Guide students to revise both the US and UK elements of the comparative papers.

Assist in the development of key skills- students have been provided a list of sentence starters. Use these to question them when they are discussing the news. Encourage students to engage with the news and fill in their press cuttings to ensure up to date knowledge and case studies.

Sources of Revision

Practice questions found in revision guides, textbooks and on the AQA website here:

<https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/politics/a-level/politics-7152/assessment-resources>

Padlet link here:

https://padlet.com/sara_sinaquqlia/ch6x49f90uvv

Padlet past exam questions and revision guidance here:

https://padlet.com/sara_sinaquqlia/uyyud77sdzoo

After school exam practice workshops are from 3:15-4:15. Students have a foci schedule.