

Politics Summer Task 2022: Part 1 - Research on the UK General Election 2019

Using the following websites and any other resources you can find, carry out research into the General Election of 2019 as this will directly link to the Year 12 course.

Links:

- <https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk>
- <https://www.parliament.uk/>
- <https://www.instituteforgovernment.org.uk/>
- <https://yougov.co.uk/topics/overview/all>

Online Newspapers: Independent, Guardian, Times, Telegraph, FT

1. Write down the actual results of the general election. You will find these on the BBC website and on the Parliament website. You can put charts and tables in if you wish to.
2. Record the results for this constituency of Beverley and Holderness in detail and the results across the East Riding and Hull constituencies by naming the party and MP that won and the breakdown of the vote.
This will give you an idea of the political allegiances in these areas.
3. Using more detailed analysis from polling websites like YouGov, make notes on how people voted (which party they voted for) according to their age, region, ethnicity, education and income.
4. Why did the Conservative party win the election and achieve an 80-seat majority, the largest for them since the 1980s, and why did the Labour Party do so badly? Try and use evidence in your answer of their leaders' public profile, Brexit, their policies, the campaigns and the role of media including social media. This question will involve analysis and using examples to back up your arguments and explanation.
5. Were some of the smaller parties important in this election? E.g. The Brexit Party, the SNP? Did they influence the outcome?

Part 2 – US Politics: Research the following and find out what is the attitude of the two main parties, the Republicans and the Democrats, to these events? These matters will be key to the campaigns by both parties in the upcoming November midterm elections.

1. **Investigation by Congress into the January 6th insurrection – there are many articles on this and the BBC is a useful news resource but there are also many items in the mainstream online newspapers and on US news platforms.**
2. **Major US Supreme Court case – Dobbs v Jackson that has led to the overturning of Roe v Wade which now means US women no longer have a constitutional right to an abortion. There has been a great deal of coverage of this in the UK media.**

If you have any problems or queries with any of these tasks, please email me at:

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