

Politics



11 - 12 TRANSITION WORK

Introduction

This work aims to give you an overview of the beginning of the course as well as some essential knowledge before we start.

You can complete the work electronically or on paper and bring it to the first session in September

1 - Prepare for learning

For this subject you will need the following:

- Bridging work
- Pen

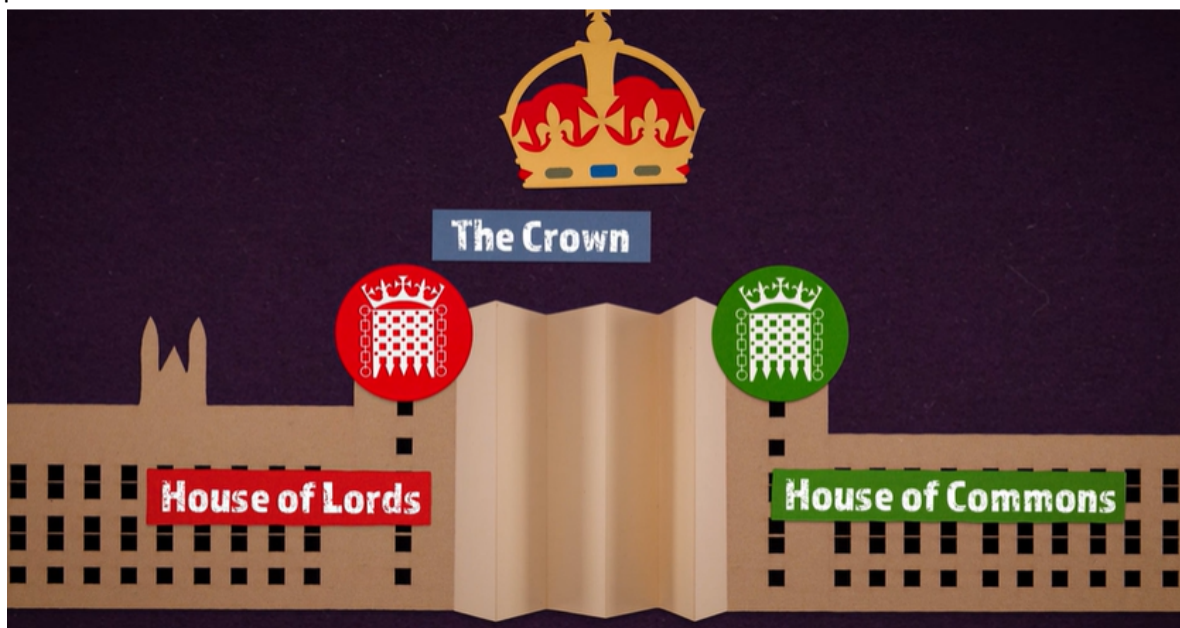
You will be provided with an exercise book

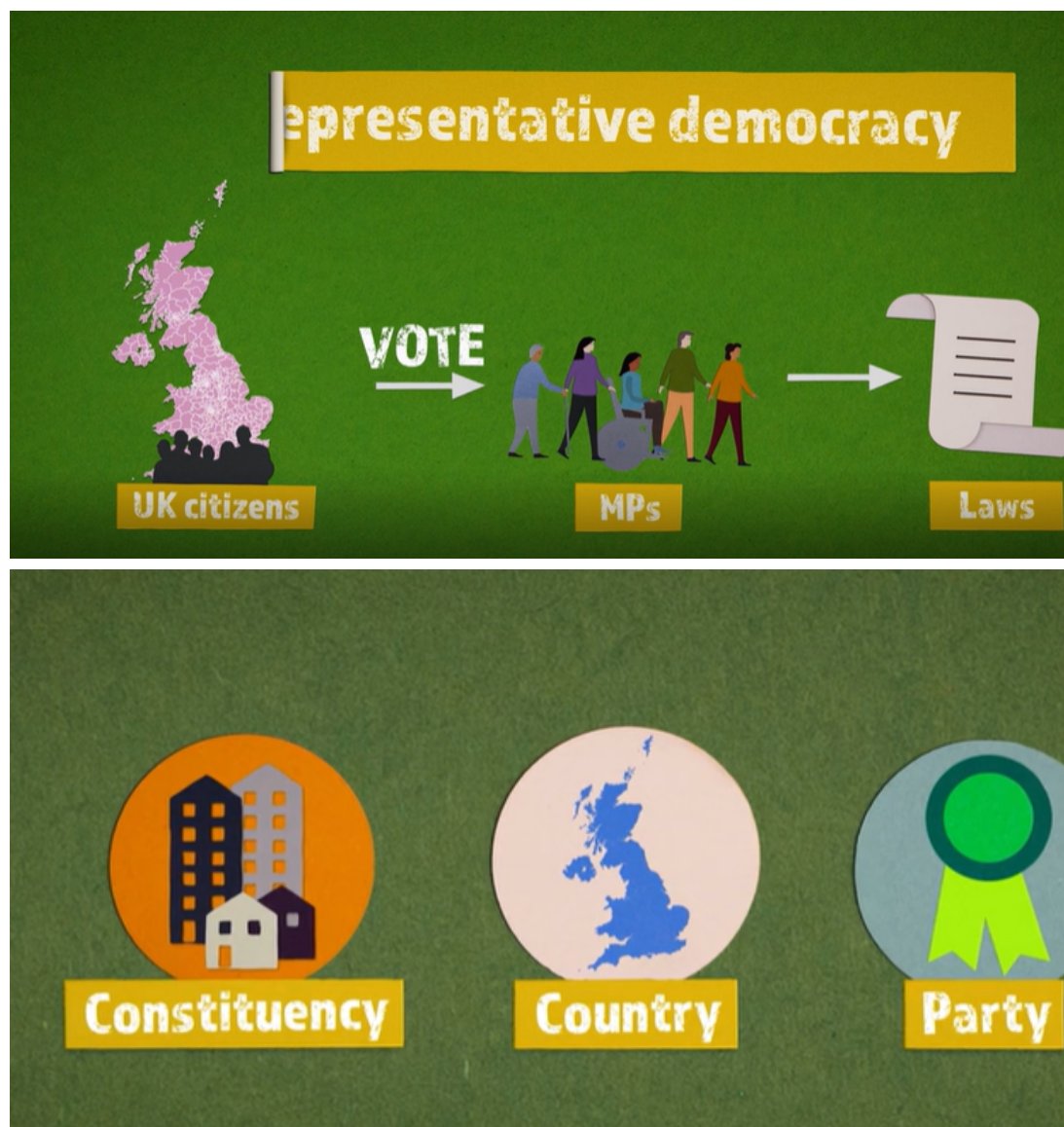
Bring this with you to your first lesson

Task One

1. Knowledge and understanding - the role of parliament

Watch the linked video clip and using the picture below create a poster to show the structure of parliament and roles of the various bodies within it





<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zhgbkqt/watch/zfd3239>

1. Knowledge and understanding - The Prime ministers of Great Britain

Prime Ministers of the UK (19):

Use the linked video to create a poster to show the role of the Prime Minister

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zhgbkqt/watch/zvqr6rd>

Include a list of the powers of the Prime Minister

Prime Ministers

For each PM since 2000 create notes in your book to show key facts - the linked documents provides some basics

1. Dates they were Prime minister - I've given you this already
2. Political Party- I've given you this already
3. A key fact
4. 4 achievements
5. 4 criticisms

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1cs0zwQGCUGHR5-tOCgUwaTWe-BSQD97mvo_plmwpaz8/edit?tab=t.0

2 - Tasks for learning

Use this clip for basic ideas about the key parties - you might want to google search this as well

[Every Major UK Political Party Explained in 9 minutes](#)

You could also use these current series of Party Political Broadcasts from the Welsh and Scottish Elections

Who are the main political parties?

Labour

Key beliefs

Brief history -

Key supporters

Key actions in government

Changes made by Blair

Changes made by Starmer

Key ideas currently

Conservative

Key beliefs

Brief history

Key supporters

Key actions in government

Changes by David Cameron and Margaret Thatcher

Key ideas currently

Liberal Democrat

Key beliefs

Brief history

Key supporters

Changes

Key ideas currently

Reform

Key beliefs

Brief history

Key supporters

Changes

Key ideas currently

Greens

Key beliefs

Brief history

Key supporters

Changes

Key ideas currently

Plaid Cymru

Key beliefs

Brief history

Key supporters

Key actions in government

Changes

SNP

Key beliefs

Brief history

Key supporters

Key actions in government

Changes

3. Key Concept - First Past the Post Voting

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zhgkqt/watch/zrxknk7>

Create some notes to show what is meant by First Past the Post voting and to show the positives and negatives of this system