

HELSBY

Sixth Form



Year 11 Sixth Form Transition Material

A-Level Politics

Congratulations on choosing to study Politics at A-Level

The information and tasks contained in this booklet will help you to research and prepare for your course when you start at Sixth Form Helsby in September. They will provide you with an overview of what to expect from your A Level studies and help you to develop a greater understanding of the subject.

This is by no means an exhaustive list but it will help you to start thinking about the subject and extra-curricular study and research.

Podcasts

The Rest is Politics (UK and US)
Newscast (BBC Sounds)
Americast (BBC Sounds)
Politics Weekly UK / America – The Guardian

Television

Peston - ITV
Sunday with Laura Kuenssberg—BBC
Question Time—BBC

Reading / Audio-books

Why We Get the Wrong Politicians— Isabel Hardman
How Westminster Works ..and Why it Doesn't—Ian Dunt
Politics on the Edge—Rory Stewart
The Abuse of Power—Theresa May
The Life of an MP— Jess Phillips
A History of Britain—Andrew Marr
A Promised Land—Barak Obama
Fear: Trump in the White House—Bob Woodward
Unpresidented—Jon Sopel
A Year at the Circus— Jon Sopel
Only in America—Matt Frei

Drama and Films

The Iron Lady (2011)
Frost / Nixon (2008)
All the President's Men (1976)
The Ides of March (2011)
Vice (2018)

Documentaries

Inside Obama's White House (BBC iPlayer)
Steve Bannon: The Trump Takeover (Amazon Prime)
The Presidents: Biden (Amazon Prime)
Thatcher and Reagan: A Very Special Relationship (IPlayer)

Printed Press /On-line Press

The Guardian
The Times
The Independent
The Telegraph
The Economist
The New Statesman
The Spectator
The Washington Post
The New York Times

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