







## Revision Checklist – Paper 1 (UK Politics & Core Political Ideas)

| Topic  |   | Notes | 😊 | 😐 | 😞 |
|--|---|-------|---|---|---|
| <b>Chapter 1: Democracy &amp; Participation</b>    |   |       |   |   |   |
| 1.1  | Direct and representative democracy           |       |   |   |   |
| 1.2  | Extending the franchise                       |       |   |   |   |
| 1.3  | Pressure groups – case studies                |       |   |   |   |
| 1.4  | Pressure group methods                        |       |   |   |   |
| 1.5  | Lobbyists, think tanks and corporations       |       |   |   |   |
| 1.6  | Rights in context                             |       |   |   |   |
| <b>Chapter 2: Political Parties</b>                |   |       |   |   |   |
| 2.1  | Functions of parties                          |       |   |   |   |
| 2.2  | Funding of parties                            |       |   |   |   |
| 2.3  | The Conservative Party                        |       |   |   |   |
| 2.4  | The Labour Party                              |       |   |   |   |
| 2.5  | The Liberal Democrats                         |       |   |   |   |
| 2.6  | The SNP and UKIP/Brexit Party                 |       |   |   |   |
| 2.7  | Party systems                                 |       |   |   |   |
| 2.8  | Factors affecting party success               |       |   |   |   |
| <b>Chapter 3: Electoral Systems</b>                |   |       |   |   |   |
| 3.1  | First Past the Post                           |       |   |   |   |
| 3.2  | Additional Member System                      |       |   |   |   |
| 3.3  | Supplementary Vote                            |       |   |   |   |
| 3.4  | Single Transferable Vote                      |       |   |   |   |
| 3.5  | Referendums                                   |       |   |   |   |
| <b>Chapter 4: Voting Behaviour &amp; The Media</b> |   |       |   |   |   |
| 4.1  | 1983 General Election                         |       |   |   |   |
| 4.2  | 1997 General Election                         |       |   |   |   |
| 4.3  | 2019 General Election                         |       |   |   |   |
| 4.4  | Short term factors affecting voting behaviour |       |   |   |   |
| 4.5  | Long term factors affecting voting behaviour  |       |   |   |   |
| 4.6  | The influence of the media                    |       |   |   |   |
| <b>Chapter 5: Conservatism</b>                     |   |       |   |   |   |
| 5.1  | Core ideas and principles of conservatism     |       |   |   |   |
| 5.2  | Differences and tensions within conservatism  |       |   |   |   |
| 5.3  | Conservative key thinkers                     |       |   |   |   |
| <b>Chapter 6: Liberalism</b>                       |   |       |   |   |   |
| 6.1  | Core ideas and principles of liberalism       |       |   |   |   |
| 6.2  | Differences and tensions within liberalism    |       |   |   |   |
| 6.3  | Liberal key thinkers                          |       |   |   |   |
| <b>Chapter 7: Socialism</b>                        |   |       |   |   |   |
| 7.1  | Core ideas and principles of socialism        |       |   |   |   |
| 7.2  | Differences and tensions within socialism     |       |   |   |   |
| 7.3  | Socialist key thinkers                        |       |   |   |   |




## Revision Checklist – Paper 2 (UK Government & Non-Core Political Ideas)

| Topic  |   | Notes |  |  |  |
|--|---|-------|---|---|---|
| <b>Chapter 1: The Constitution</b>             |   |       |   |   |   |
| 1.1  | Key Historical documents                      |       |   |   |   |
| 1.2  | Sources of the constitution                   |       |   |   |   |
| 1.3  | Nature of the constitution                    |       |   |   |   |
| 1.4  | Constitutional reform since 1997              |       |   |   |   |
| 1.5  | Devolution                                    |       |   |   |   |
| 1.6  | Debates about further constitutional reform   |       |   |   |   |
| <b>Chapter 2: Parliament</b>                   |   |       |   |   |   |
| 2.1  | Structure and role of the House of Commons    |       |   |   |   |
| 2.2  | Structure and role of the House of Lords      |       |   |   |   |
| 2.3  | Power of the House of Commons                 |       |   |   |   |
| 2.4  | Power of the House of Lords                   |       |   |   |   |
| 2.5  | The legislative process                       |       |   |   |   |
| 2.6  | Parliament scrutiny of the Executive          |       |   |   |   |
| <b>Chapter 3: Prime Minister and Executive</b> |   |       |   |   |   |
| 3.1  | Structure and role of the Executive           |       |   |   |   |
| 3.2  | Power of the Executive                        |       |   |   |   |
| 3.3  | Collective Responsibility                     |       |   |   |   |
| 3.4  | Individual Responsibility                     |       |   |   |   |
| 3.5  | Power of the Prime Minister and Cabinet       |       |   |   |   |
| 3.6  | Prime Minister case studies                   |       |   |   |   |
| <b>Chapter 4: Relations between branches</b>   |   |       |   |   |   |
| 4.1  | The Supreme Court                             |       |   |   |   |
| 4.2  | Judicial Independence and Neutrality          |       |   |   |   |
| 4.3  | How parliament holds the Executive to account |       |   |   |   |
| 4.4  | The aims of the EU                            |       |   |   |   |
| 4.5  | The impacts of the EU                         |       |   |   |   |
| 4.6  | Political sovereignty                         |       |   |   |   |
| <b>Chapter 5: Non-Core Political Idea</b>      |   |       |   |   |   |
| 5.1  | Core ideas and principles of your ideology    |       |   |   |   |
| 5.2  | Differences and tensions within your ideology |       |   |   |   |
| 5.3  | Key thinkers of your ideology                 |       |   |   |   |

## Revision Checklist – Paper 3A (Comparative Politics – USA)

| Topic   |   | Notes |  |  |  |
|---|---|-------|---|---|---|
| <b>Chapter 1: US Constitution and federalism</b>    |   |       |   |   |   |
| 1.1   | Nature of the constitution                          |       |   |   |   |
| 1.2   | The constitutional framework                        |       |   |   |   |
| 1.3   | The amendment process                               |       |   |   |   |
| 1.4   | Evaluation of the constitution                      |       |   |   |   |
| 1.5   | Federalism  |       |   |   |   |
| 1.6   | Debates surrounding the constitution and federalism |       |   |   |   |
| <b>Chapter 2: US Congress</b>                       |   |       |   |   |   |
| 2.1   | The structure of Congress                           |       |   |   |   |
| 2.2   | Congressional powers                                |       |   |   |   |
| 2.3   | Representative function                             |       |   |   |   |
| 2.4   | Legislative function                                |       |   |   |   |
| 2.5   | Oversight function                                  |       |   |   |   |
| 2.6   | Debates surrounding Congress                        |       |   |   |   |
| <b>Chapter 3: US Presidency</b>                     |   |       |   |   |   |
| 3.1   | Formal sources of presidential power                |       |   |   |   |
| 3.2   | Informal sources of presidential power              |       |   |   |   |
| 3.3   | Executive Office of the President                   |       |   |   |   |
| 3.4   | Limits on the President's power                     |       |   |   |   |
| 3.5   | Foreign Policy                                      |       |   |   |   |
| 3.6   | Debates surrounding the President                   |       |   |   |   |
| <b>Chapter 4: US Supreme Court and civil rights</b> |   |       |   |   |   |
| 4.1   | Nature and role of the Supreme Court                |       |   |   |   |
| 4.2   | The appointment process for the Supreme Court       |       |   |   |   |
| 4.3   | The Supreme Court and public policy                 |       |   |   |   |
| 4.4   | Protection of civil rights                          |       |   |   |   |
| 4.5   | Race and rights                                     |       |   |   |   |
| 4.6   | Debates surrounding the Supreme Court and rights    |       |   |   |   |
| <b>Chapter 5: US Democracy and participation</b>    |   |       |   |   |   |
| 5.1   | Presidential elections                              |       |   |   |   |
| 5.2   | The Democratic Party                                |       |   |   |   |
| 5.3   | The Republican Party                                |       |   |   |   |
| 5.4   | Interest Groups                                     |       |   |   |   |
| 5.5   | Debates surrounding US democracy and participation  |       |   |   |   |
| <b>Chapter 6: Comparative theories</b>              |   |       |   |   |   |
| 6.1   | Rational, cultural and structural theory            |       |   |   |   |
| 6.2   | UK vs US Constitution                               |       |   |   |   |
| 6.3   | Parliament vs Congress                              |       |   |   |   |
| 6.4   | Prime Minister vs President                         |       |   |   |   |
| 6.5   | UK vs US Supreme Court and civil rights             |       |   |   |   |
| 6.6   | UK vs US democracy and participation                |       |   |   |   |

## Revision Checklist – Paper 3B (Comparative Politics – Global)

| Topic  |   | Notes |  |  |  |
|--|---|-------|---|---|---|
| <b>Chapter 1: The State and Globalisation</b>                      |   |       |   |   |   |
| 1.1  | The nation-state and national sovereignty                       |       |   |   |   |
| 1.2  | Globalisation   |       |   |   |   |
| 1.3  | Impact of globalisation   |       |   |   |   |
| 1.4  | Poverty, human rights, environment and conflict                 |       |   |   |   |
| 1.5  | How realists and liberals view globalisation                    |       |   |   |   |
| <b>Chapter 2: Political and Economic Global Governance</b>         |   |       |   |   |   |
| 2.1  | The United Nations  |       |   |   |   |
| 2.2  | NATO  |       |   |   |   |
| 2.3  | The IMF and World Bank  |       |   |   |   |
| 2.4  | The WTO, G7/8 and G20   |       |   |   |   |
| 2.5  | Poverty, human rights, environment and conflict                 |       |   |   |   |
| 2.6  | How realists and liberals view Pol & Eco GG                     |       |   |   |   |
| <b>Chapter 3: Human Rights and Environmental Global Governance</b> |   |       |   |   |   |
| 3.1  | The ICJ, ICC, ECHR and UN tribunals                             |       |   |   |   |
| 3.2  | The impact of the ICJ, ICC, ECHR and UN tribunals               |       |   |   |   |
| 3.3  | The UNFCCC  |       |   |   |   |
| 3.4  | Climate conferences   |       |   |   |   |
| 3.5  | Role and significance of the IPCC                               |       |   |   |   |
| 3.6  | Poverty, human rights, environment and conflict                 |       |   |   |   |
| 3.7  | How realists and liberals view HR & env GG                      |       |   |   |   |
| <b>Chapter 4: Power and Developments</b>                           |   |       |   |   |   |
| 4.1  | Types of power  |       |   |   |   |
| 4.2  | State classifications (superpower, emerging, great)             |       |   |   |   |
| 4.3  | Polarity  |       |   |   |   |
| 4.4  | Different systems of government                                 |       |   |   |   |
| 4.5  | Spread of liberal values  |       |   |   |   |
| 4.6  | Poverty, human rights, environment and conflict                 |       |   |   |   |
| 4.7  | How realists and liberals view power                            |       |   |   |   |
| <b>Chapter 5: Regionalism and the EU</b>                           |   |       |   |   |   |
| 5.1  | Forms of regionalism  |       |   |   |   |
| 5.2  | NAFTA, the AU, ASEAN and the Arab League                        |       |   |   |   |
| 5.3  | Factors that led to the EU                                      |       |   |   |   |
| 5.4  | Significance of the EU  |       |   |   |   |
| 5.5  | How realists and liberals view regionalism                      |       |   |   |   |
| <b>Chapter 6: Comparative theories</b>                             |   |       |   |   |   |
| 6.1  | Ideas of realism  |       |   |   |   |
| 6.2  | Ideas of liberalism   |       |   |   |   |
| 6.3  | Divisions between realists and liberals                         |       |   |   |   |
| 6.4  | The anarchical society and society of states                    |       |   |   |   |
| 6.5  | How realists and liberals explain recent political developments |       |   |   |   |