

Year 11 into Year 12: A LEVEL POLITICS TRANSITION WORK

Congratulations on choosing what is a unique A Level subject in that every day something is happening that can be linked to the topics you will study as part of the A Level Politics course which covers UK Politics, UK Government, Political Ideologies and Global Politics.

Your task – **deadline Friday 13th September** – is to produce a two-sided answer to the question:

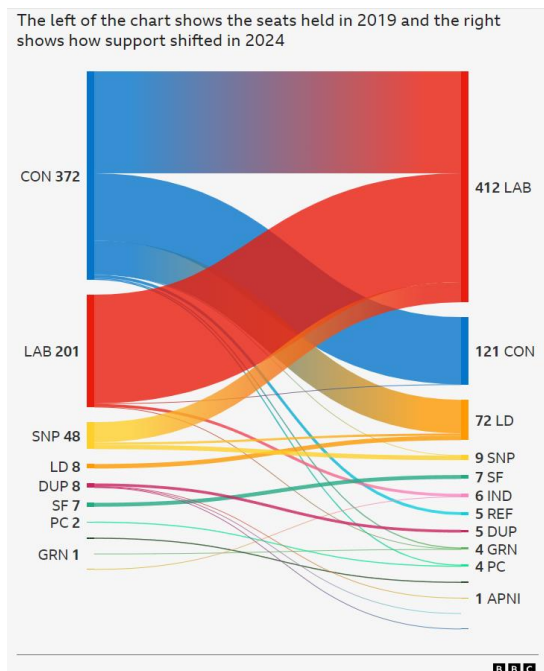
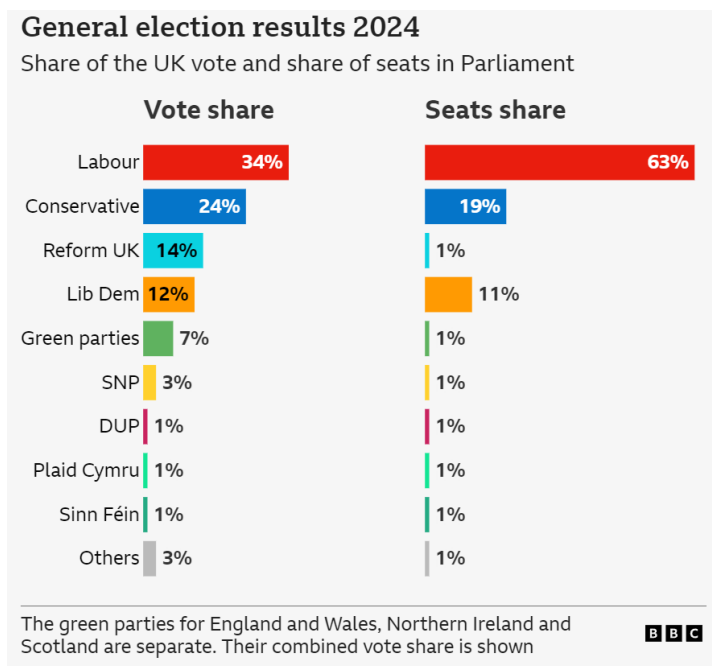
‘Democracy in the UK is not working.’ How far do you agree?

- Your starting point will be to define the term ‘democracy’.
- You should consider the outcome of the general election this year (information is given below).
- You should consider the factors (e.g. age / class / ethnicity / education / region) that influenced how people voted or explains why the turnout (see below) was so low.
- You should consider other ways in which people are able to express their views and participate in the political process. For example, the role of pressure groups, trade unions, online petitions etc.
- You should aim to write 2-4 pages.

The purpose of the task is to get you thinking about UK Politics and the system of government in the UK. There is no wrong or right answer but you must present a two-sided answer to the question.

You will get written feedback with lots of questions for you to answer, rather than a mark, to set you on your journey to understanding and success in studying A Level Politics.

Background information



Turnout was 59.8%, down from 67.3% in 2019. The total registered electorate was 48.2 million, 600,000 higher than the 47.6 million electorate in 2019. Turnout was lower than general elections between 2005 and 2019, but just higher than 59.4% turnout in the 2001 general election.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/articles/c4nglegege10>

<https://researchbriefings.files.parliament.uk/documents/CBP-10009/CBP-10009.pdf>

<https://yougov.co.uk/politics/articles/49978-how-britain-voted-in-the-2024-general-election>