Democracy elections and voting booklet

Homework booklet





**Homework Lesson 1:** Sort the following into the right section of the table.

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| Direct democracy  | Representative democracy  |
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C. Citizens vote for Representatives to make key decisions for them.

1. Citizens vote directly on local and national issues.

D. Citizens vote regularly in referendums which are legally binding. Outcomes must be implemented by the government.

B. Citizens occasionally get to vote in national referendums on important issues. Government technically does not have to respect the result.

1. **State 4 features of the UK’s democracy**
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6. **State two key differences between Representative and Direct democracy**
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**Homework lesson 2:**

1 (a) State one example of a UK political party. ............................................................................................................................................. [1]

(b) State two reasons why people join political parties.

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1. List 3 polices that would appear in a Conservative manifesto

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1. Explain why political parties are good for democracy (try and write 3 PEE paragraphs)

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**Lesson 3 Homework:**

Your next assessment will be on your next topic he Rights and Responsibilities and Democracy topic. Please complete the following revision tasks to help prepare for that assessment. Try them from memory first!

1. Finish the sentences:

*Classical democracy is…………..*

*An example of this would be………………*

*Representative democracy is……….*

*An example of this would be………………..*

*Pluralism means…………………*

1. Political party match-up: Match the party with the correct definitions.

Conservative Party Labour Party Liberal Democrats Reform UK Green

Right wing party sometimes known as the Tories and currently in power.

Moderate – left wing. Often the biggest third party and formed from the Liberals and Social Democrats

Left-leaning with a socialist ethos. Founding party of the NHS and led by Keir Starmer.

Left-wing party with an environmental focus.

Right wing party, originated from UKIP and Brexit Party.

1. Finish the mind map below by adding three pieces of information to each heading:

*Top tip: If you are struggling with remembering the different electoral system, focus on the first-past-the-post system most of all as this is the one we use for general elections. Understand what proportional representation is rather than trying to remember every single detail of every system.*

**First-past-the-post:**

**Additional Member System**

**Single Transferable Vote**

**Task 4: Use what you have learned in lesson 3 to make a case supporting the following viewpoint**

‘The UK should switch to proportional representation as a voting system’.

Suggested structure

* How first past the post works and how it is unfair?
* How proportional representation works and how it is fairer.
* How this proportional representation will make voters feel their vote is valued.
* The parties which would benefit from proportional representation.

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