

## Curriculum Map 2023-24

Year 13

Half term	Unit title with hyperlink to scheme of work	Unit summary	Skills & content covered	Summary of formative marking, feedback and student response	Summative assessment schedule, including assessment criteria
Autumn 1 WHA	<b>PM and the Executive</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Roles and powers of the Prime Minister.</li> <li>Cabinet and government ministers: collective responsibility.</li> <li>Relationship between the PM and Parliament.</li> <li>Factors affecting executive power (e.g., party, popularity, crises).</li> <li>Assessment</li> </ul>	Core knowledge of executive functions.- Essay writing (analysis/evaluation of PM power).- Use of case studies (e.g., Blair, Cameron, Johnson).- AO1 recall, AO2 analysis, AO3 evaluation.	End of topic key word quizzes, Weekly current affair quizzes	30 mark essay question
Autumn 1 RMA	<b>Relations between the branches</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Structure of judiciary</li> <li>Independence and neutrality of judges</li> <li>How branches interact</li> <li>History of EU, how it operates and effect on UK sovereignty</li> <li>Location of sovereignty in the UK system</li> <li>Assessment</li> </ul>	Knowledge of judiciary and constitution.- Evaluation of judicial independence.- AO2 application to case law (e.g., Miller I/II, Brexit cases).- Synoptic links to Parliament & Executive.	End of topic key word quizzes, Weekly current affair quizzes	30 mark essay question
Autumn 2 WHA	<b>Comparative theories – Realism versus Liberalism</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Realism: states as power-seeking, conflict inevitable.</li> <li>Liberalism: cooperation through institutions, interdependence, democracy.</li> <li>Applying theories to global events since 2000.</li> <li>Comparative evaluation (which theory better explains global politics?).</li> <li>Assessment</li> </ul>	- Comparative political theory.- Application of theory to real-world examples (e.g., Iraq War, Paris Agreement, UN interventions).- AO3 evaluative judgment skills.- Synoptic skills linking across ideologies.	End of topic key word quizzes, Weekly current affair quizzes	12 mark Question
Autumn 2 RMA	<b>Globalisation and the State</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Nation-states and sovereignty.</li> <li>Political, economic, cultural globalisation.</li> <li>Has globalisation weakened state power?</li> <li>Non-state actors: multinational corporations (Apple, Amazon), NGOs, terrorist groups.</li> <li>Case studies: Brexit and UK sovereignty, China's Belt &amp; Road Initiative, role of Facebook/Twitter in Arab Spring.</li> <li>Assessment</li> </ul>	Critical evaluation of globalisation theories.- Case study analysis.- AO2 application to sovereignty debates.- Extended essay skills.	End of topic key word quizzes, Weekly current affair quizzes	12 mark Question
Spring 1 WHA	<b>Global Governance Politics and Economics</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The UN: successes and failures in peacekeeping.</li> <li>IMF, World Bank, WTO: roles, criticisms, and reforms.</li> <li>Global financial crises (2008, Eurozone crisis).</li> <li>Regional organisations: EU, AU, ASEAN.</li> <li>Case studies: UN in Syria, IMF in Greece, WTO trade disputes, EU after Brexit.</li> <li>Assessment</li> </ul>	Deep knowledge of IGOs.- AO2 skills applying organisations to case studies.- AO3 evaluation (effectiveness, reform).- Comparative synoptic links across case studies.	End of topic key word quizzes, Weekly current affair quizzes	30 Mark question
Spring 1 RMA	<b>Global Governance Human Rights and Environment</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Human Rights: UDHR, ICC, NGOs (Amnesty, Human Rights Watch).</li> <li>Sovereignty vs humanitarian intervention (Responsibility to Protect).</li> <li>Environmental issues: climate change, COP summits (Kyoto, Paris, Glasgow COP26).</li> <li>Case studies: Darfur, Russia/Ukraine (ICC indictments), Paris Agreement, US withdrawal under Trump.</li> <li>Assessment</li> </ul>	Knowledge of human rights regimes.- AO2: application of humanitarian intervention examples.- AO3: evaluative judgment on sovereignty vs rights.- Synoptic skills (link to globalisation, theories).	End of topic key word quizzes, Weekly current affair quizzes	30 mark question
Spring 2 RMA	<b>Power and Developments</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hard, soft, and smart power.</li> <li>Polarity: unipolar (US), bipolar (Cold War), multipolar (today?).</li> <li>Rising powers: BRICS, regional influence (India, Brazil, South Africa, Turkey).</li> <li>Decline of US hegemony? Rise of China?</li> <li>Case studies: US intervention in Iraq, China's South China Sea expansion, Russia in Ukraine, US-China trade war.</li> <li>Assessment</li> </ul>	AO1: Recall concepts of power (hard, soft, smart) and polarity. - AO2: Apply to case studies (US in Iraq, China's Belt & Road, Russia-Ukraine). - AO3: Evaluate debates around multipolarity and decline of US power. - Synopticity with globalisation, realism vs liberalism	End of topic key word quizzes, Weekly current affair quizzes	12 mark question & 30 mark question
Spring 2 WHA	<b>Regionalism and EU</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Why states join regional organisations.</li> <li>Supranationalism vs intergovernmentalism</li> <li>EU institutions and decision-making.</li> <li>Sovereignty debates: democratic deficit, Brexit.</li> <li>Other regions: AU, ASEAN, NAFTA/USMCA.</li> <li>Case studies: Brexit, Eurozone crisis, EU migration policy, ASEAN free trade.</li> <li>Assessment</li> </ul>	- AO1: Knowledge of regionalism theories, EU structures, and case studies. - AO2: Apply to Brexit, Eurozone, ASEAN, USMCA. - AO3: Evaluate effectiveness of regionalism and impact on sovereignty. - Synopticity: links to globalisation, power & developments, comparative theories	End of topic key word quizzes, Weekly current affair quizzes	12 mark & 30 mark question