



# AS/A LEVEL GOVERNMENT & POLITICS



Ever wondered about why politicians argue? Think you could do a better job of running the country? Ever wondered how on earth this country is governed? Ever wanted to play your part in making this country better? Ever thought strongly about issues such as helping the poor, banning foxhunting, or being more environmentally friendly. If so perhaps this subject is right for you!

The course consists of the following elements: -

## A/S

- Electoral Systems and Voting Behaviour
- Political Parties (Labour & Conservative) & Pressure Groups (such as Greenpeace & Amnesty International)
- Features of a Representative Democracy (The House of Lords/Commons and the role of the Monarchy etc)



## A2

- The Politics of the USA (including American Parties, Pressure Groups, their elections, President etc.)
- A comparison of the UK/USA Governments



Among other subjects that would go down well with Government and Politics are History, English, Sociology or Media Studies.

Students with a qualification in this subject have access to a wide range of transferable skills throughout the course. These include collecting and analyzing information and evaluating different political ideas and systems. Your written communication skills will develop greatly as will your ability to question information given to you. These skills are in great demand and are recognized by employers, universities and colleges as being of great value.

With a qualification in this subject you could go on to Higher Education (University) and study courses such as Journalism, Business, Economics, Law, Media, History, Philosophy and of course Politics.