

This is what **INDEPENDENT LEARNING** looks like in

POLITICS

AFTER EVERY LESSON

1. File all your notes and handouts, ensuring they are organised into the correct unit and topic area.
2. Highlight your notes, identifying A01 (knowledge and understanding), A02 (analysis), and A03 (evaluation).
3. Review your notes and add a post-it note next to anything that you don't understand so that you can ask about this in the next lesson and search for the answers further afield.
4. Read the relevant chapter/ section in the Heywood textbook. Add anything extra or interesting to the notes acquired in class.

EVERY WEEK

WEEKLY

It is important that you are completing weekly homework tasks. These tasks will be varied throughout the year. Some will be focused on collating a bank of contemporary examples to support the topics/ theories which are examined in class, as well as practice exam questions and marking activities.

Make sure that you complete weekly homework tasks and your reading log promptly to avoid falling behind.

Embed your understanding with review and practice activities:

- Ensure that any gaps are complete in your notes.
- Complete any topic tests available on Seneca or topic videos on Prechewed Politics
- Complete your knowledge organisers/ topic checklists to summarise your learning for that week.
- Ensure you are following the news daily and think about how the examples could be applied to the course and your contemporary examples bank.
- Ensure you are listening to topical podcasts to help you build your example bank and also
- strengthen your analysis and evaluative points for questions

REGULARLY

EVERY 2-3 WEEKS

Revisit, Revise and Review
- read and watch videos on previous topics to help you review and revise the previous two weeks of work:

- Tutor2U
- Prechewed Politics
- The Politics A Level Show podcast
- The Politics Review

PERIODICALLY

AT LEAST ONCE EVERY HALF TERM

- Read the Politics Review to gain more scope for contemporary developments in the field, to knowledge gained in class - copies of these can be accessed in the library or via AccessIT.
- Complete past papers/questions and use the mark schemes to self-assess your work - this will give you the necessary practice of exam skills which have been used in class and will give you more confidence when it comes to approaching the real thing.
- These can be found on the Edexcel/ Pearson website. You can also find past paper questions on your topic checklists.

