



Power and Politics

- Different theories of the nature and distribution of power(BRN 1 & 2)
- The role of the contemporary state (COR 3).
- The nature of, and changes in, different forms of political participation, including voting behaviour, political action and protest, and membership of political organisations and movements (COR 4)).
- The role of political parties, pressure/interest groups, new social movements and the mass media in the political process (BRN 5).
- The significance of globalisation for an understanding of power and politics in the contemporary world (SYNOPTIC COR & BRN).

WHAT I'M GOING TO LEARN

- Defining Power (Topic 1)
- The importance of Max Weber and power
- The relevance of functionalism & power
- The relevance of Marxism & power
- Criticisms of Marxist theories of power
- Post structuralism & power
- Relevance of gender & power
- Post feminism & Westwood
- The Distribution of power (Topic 2)**
- Pluralism & decision making
- Elite pluralism & a critique
- The first, second & third dimensions of power
- Elite theory of power
- Marxism and the distribution of power).
- SYNOPTICITY / Changing nature of power pluralism or elitism**

I HAVE ACHIEVED THIS BY...



I HAVE SHOWN THESE SKILLS BY...



SKILLS THIS WILL HELP ME TO USE & DEVELOP

- LITERACY** through response practice, extrapolation (selection) of information
- SYNTHESIS** through using a variety of sources to explain the various tendencies within sociological theory
- COMMUNICATION** skills through delivering presentation; engaging in class debates
- INDEPENDENT LEARNING** through out the lesson study and development of revision guides for other students
- SELF MANAGEMENT** through submission of work, assessment and revision on time and to the standards/criteria set

MY RESULTS, FEEDBACK & TARGETS



HOW I'LL KNOW HOW WELL I'M DOING

- Peer-Assessments** of mid-unit practice questions
- Self-Assessment** criteria reviews of AO1; and AO2 marks
- Knowledge test** 20 key terms and concepts
- Leicester Oral (Self- and Peer-) Assessment** for debates and presentations
- Formative (feedback) practice questions** for short, medium and extended questions
- Summative (graded) practice exam** papers at the end of the unit
- Oracy formation and debating skills** to test my knowledge of synopticity within this political ideology
- Ongoing Self-Assessment / Dialogue review sheets** to identify my strengths and areas for development



