



## **Politics & Debate Course Key Facts**

<b>Location</b>	Online (live, not pre-recorded)
<b>Class size</b>	Maximum 15 students
<b>Ages</b>	12-14
<b>Fees</b>	£595 (1 week) or £995 (2 weeks)
<b>Dates</b>	June - August (see our <a href="#">booking form</a> for the latest availability)
<b>Timings</b>	Live tutorials take place from 1-3pm UK time
<b>Outcome</b>	Certificate of Achievement and personalised Letter of Recommendation

## **Politics & Debate Course Outline**

<b>Class</b>	<b>Class Content and Lesson Objectives</b>	<b>Independent Study</b>
1	<b>Introduction to the course: Democracy and Elections</b> Students will be able to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Get to know each other and understand what to expect from the course curriculum</li><li>● Discuss politics today and beyond</li><li>● Receive an overview of democracy and elections</li></ul>	Read through articles and understand ways citizens interact with/are impacted by the government Write a 500 word essay: 'What are three differences between democratic and communist systems? OR: Write a letter to your local representative explaining the advantages and disadvantages of your current voting system
2	<b>Powers of Persuasion</b> Students will be able to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Understand the principles of political debating and tactics of persuasion</li><li>● Practise persuasive debate skills</li></ul>	Research and summarise the main political parties in your countries- their campaign promises and their most recent election score.
3	<b>Political Parties</b> Students will be able to:	Prepare speeches in advance of their campaign session



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Outline the main political parties</li> <li>● Understand how parties form and how they gain support</li> <li>● Create their own political parties</li> </ul>	Find past manifestos from the most recent election in your country- highlight what policies would appeal to which people.
4	<p><b>Political Leaders</b></p> <p>Students will be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Identify leadership styles and which is most effective</li> <li>● Discuss political leaders</li> </ul>	Practice their topic speeches for the campaign session Prepare for a Q&A debate for the next session
5	<p><b>Campaign Session</b></p> <p>Students will be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Give their campaign speeches</li> <li>● Participate in a Q&amp;A style debate, moderated by the teacher</li> </ul>	For two week students- being pre-reading and learn more about balloon debate
<b>END OF THE ONE WEEK COURSE</b>		
6	<p><b>Citizenship and the State</b></p> <p>Students will be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Describe a nation state</li> <li>● Outline the role of citizens</li> <li>● Debate different political systems</li> </ul>	Watch selected videos about democracy and complete the question sheet Summarise two contrasting news stories about China's response to Covid
7	<p><b>Identity</b></p> <p>Students will be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Outline identity factors</li> <li>● Discuss identity and current affairs- and their important in politics</li> </ul>	Find an identity factor and create a policy for it Choose a political figure they can debate for during the balloon debate
8	<p><b>Revolutions and social movements</b></p> <p>Students will be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Outline key revolutions and social moments</li> <li>● Learn about participatory politics</li> </ul>	Research and analyse a revolution, using what we learnt today Prepare for the balloon debate
9	<p><b>The Future of Politics</b></p> <p>Students will be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Understand the future of politics, including relevant careers, degree pathways and future opportunities</li> <li>● Ask any questions they have</li> </ul>	Prepare for the balloon debate
10	<p><b>Final challenge - balloon debate:</b></p> <p>Students will be able to:</p>	N/A



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Defend their chosen political figure and debate why they should remain safely inside the sinking hot air balloon!</li></ul>	
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## **Next Steps**

We'd love to welcome you to our Politics & Debate online course! In order to secure your place, the next step is to apply [by clicking here](#).

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact Stephanie on 0044 1865 522 166, or by email on [hello@oxfordscholastica.com](mailto:hello@oxfordscholastica.com).