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Advanced Subsidiary Advance Information

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Instructions

- Please ensure that you have read this notice before the examination.

Information

- This notice covers all examined components.
- The format/structure of the assessments remains unchanged.
- This advance information notice details the focus of the content of the exams in the May–June 2022 assessments.
- There are no restrictions on who can use this notice.
- This notice is meant to help students to focus their revision time.
- Students and teachers can discuss the advance information.
- This document has 3 pages.

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General advice

- In addition to covering the content outline in the advance information, students and teachers should consider how to:
 - manage their revision of parts of the specification which may be assessed in areas not covered by the advance information
 - manage their revision of other parts of the specification which may provide knowledge that helps with understanding the areas being tested in 2022.
- For specifications with synoptic assessments, topics not explicitly given in the advance notice may appear, e.g. where students are asked to bring together knowledge, skills and understanding from across the specification.
- For specifications with optional papers/topics/content, students should only refer to the advance information for their intended option.
- For specifications with NEA, advance information does not cover any NEA components.

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Advance Information

Subject specific section

- Questions will be drawn from one or more of the indicated areas of specification content.
- The information is presented in specification order and not in question order.
- Students will not be disadvantaged if solely using the areas indicated in this document.
- Students will be credited for using any relevant knowledge from any topic areas when answering questions, including ones not listed below.

Paper 1: UK Politics

Subject content	Specification bullet points
1 Democracy and participation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 1.2 A wider franchise and debates over suffrage• 1.3 Pressure groups and other influences
2 Political parties	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 2.1 Political parties• 2.2 Established political parties• 2.4 UK political parties in context
3 Electoral systems	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 3.1 Different electoral systems• 3.3 Electoral system analysis
4 Voting behaviour and the media	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 4.1 Case studies of three key general elections• 4.2 The influence of the media

Paper 2: UK Government

Subject content	Specification bullet points
1 The constitution	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 1.1 The nature and sources of the UK constitution• 1.2 How the constitution has changed since 1997• 1.3 The role and powers of devolved bodies in the UK, and the impact of this devolution on the UK
2 Parliament	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 2.4 The ways in which Parliament interacts with the Executive
3 Prime Minister and Executive	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 3.3 The Prime Minister and the Cabinet
4 Relations between the branches	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 4.2 The relationship between the Executive and Parliament• 4.3 The aims, role and impact of the European Union (EU) on UK government• 4.4 The location of sovereignty in the UK political system

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