**AS POLITICS REVISION WORKSHEET INSTRUCTIONS**

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| **Work set on:**  **To be uploaded onto Godalming Online – or printed off to be looked at by:**  **Est time 3-4 hours** |

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| **Produce an attractive two-three sided document which must contain the following information:**  **The Executive**   1. Explain what we mean by Cabinet government, or prime ministerial government. What is the difference? Which do you think we have at the moment? 2. What is the Core Executive? 3. Describe the powers of the Prime Minister. How is this power limited? 4. What is the royal prerogative? Which aspect of this has recently been relinquished? 5. What is the role of the cabinet and what qualities are required to be a member? 6. What different sources can influence decision making in cabinet? Explain each one 7. How powerful was Tony Blair? What contributed to this? 8. What style of PM do you think May is? What was Cameron? What other kind of style is there? 9. What factors impact on the powers of the Prime Minister and can lessen them? 10. Explain collective and individual responsibility. Give examples of people who resigned because of these conventions. 11. How has individual ministerial responsibility been eroded? Think of examples of Ministers who have broken it and remain in cabinet. 12. **Please explain these words:** Royal Prerogative, Presidential Prime Minister, Spads, Commander-in-Chief, sofa government, Big beasts of cabinet. | |
| **Standard sources** | **Extended reading** |
| Handouts and extracts given out in class on both sides of the course. | Relevant recent articles in the broadsheet newspapers or journals like the The Week, Economist. Websites – BBC News, Guardian, Telegraph etc. |
|  | TV: The Daily Politics, Question Time, This Week. |
| Neil McNaughton – Edexcel Government and Politics (in the library) | Politics today magazine (in the library) |