

# High Storrs Sixth Form

## 2024 Bridging Work

**Subject: Politics**

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## A level Politics at High Storrs School – Preparatory ‘Bridging the gap’ work.

Please read the following information and carry out the task which follows

### Information

These are generally agreed to be the characteristics of a democratic society:

- There is a peaceful transition of power
- Elections are free
- Elections are fair
- Participation is widespread
- Citizens have freedom of expression and information
- Citizens have freedom of association
- Rights and liberties protected
- All citizens treated equally under law
- The judiciary is independent
- Government is limited

### Task

Using your own research write a report assessing whether any country **OTHER** than the UK can be judged to be a democratic state according to these criteria. *(You could use India, Zimbabwe, Russia, China, for example, or any other nation of your choice.)* Your report should be **400-500** words and should refer to **at least 4** of the above criteria (preferably more). Show how each of the criteria you choose are, or are not, present in the country you choose. You should provide evidence from your research to support any points you make in your report.

Your report should state the sources you have used and be submitted in your first Politics lesson in September. Please use more than one source for your research, and do not rely simply on Wikipedia – it will be more impressive if you use other sources.