

HNC @ HOME

2026



A Level Politics *Activity 1*

Politics in the News

As a Politics student, you will be expected to keep up with current affairs. Social media is a brilliant way to keep up to date with all things politics, and in this task you will be asked to explore the political news over the summer by following some of the social media accounts listed below. You can find Instagram links provided below, but they all have accounts on the other social media platforms too if you don't use Instagram.



POLITICS

Simple Politics: <https://www.instagram.com/simplepolitics/?hl=en>

TLDR News: <https://www.instagram.com/tldrnewsuk/?hl=en-gb>

BBC news: <https://www.instagram.com/bbcnewsuk/>

Write a brief summary of a news story that has particularly interested you.

- What were your thoughts on this story?
- Why did you choose this particular story?
- What do you think could happen as a consequence of this story?
- What do you think the bias is in the news story that you have covered?

Extension: Research the same news story in different media outlets (e.g. BBC, Sky News, the Independent, The Guardian) – how is the coverage of the story different? What can you assume about the viewpoints of the different media outlets?