

R.A. Butler Prize, 2020

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Questions

Answer **one** of the following. You are encouraged to use a diverse selection of contemporary, historical or literary examples in making your arguments, and not to restrict yourself to material taken from school courses. Essays should be in the range of 2,000 to 4,000 words.

1. What, if anything, do populists have in common?
2. Is representative democracy equipped to tackle climate change?
3. Why should anybody bother to vote?
4. Does the experience of the last 20 years show that western governments cannot really do anything to tackle economic inequality?
5. How far can we extend special rights to minority groups in a multicultural state?
6. Should religion be separated from the politics of the state?
7. Is adversarial politics preferable to consensus politics?
8. How has increased diversity (in terms of gender, ethnicity, religion, etc.) in governments impacted global politics?

Essays must be submitted by 12 noon (BST) of 3 August 2020, and should be submitted in accordance with the instructions and eligibility criteria available at:
<https://www.trin.cam.ac.uk/undergraduate/essay-prizes/politics/>