

Chapter 9 The House of Lords

Words and terms

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- hereditary: inherited
- non-hereditary
- **confer** a peerage
- acquiesce: agree
- eligible
- renounce
- embroil in: involve in
- sparingly
- estate: landed property
- assimilate
- **abstruse** rules: hard to understand
- **patron** of good causes
- aristocracy: nobility
- aristocrat: member of nobility
- aristocratic
- restoration of the monarchy
- peer/peeress: lord, nobleman (duke, marquis, earl, viscount, baron)
- temporal peers
- (life) peer; peerage
- earl, earldom
- duke, dukedom
- Orders in prestige
- NHS: National Health Service

Review

chapter 9

- Who sit in the House of Lords?
- What are the major changes to the House of Lords in the 20th century in 1909, 1958 and 1962?
- What are the real powers remained to the House of Lords since 1949?
- What are the chief responsibilities of the House of Lords?
- Besides peerage, knighthood and lesser honours are distributed to worthy citizens. Is this honour system valued to British people and why (not)?

After-class work before
chapter 10 in class

- Learn words and expressions of Chapter 9 by heart
- Do listening practice for full understanding : two pieces on QQ, for any new words check up in the dictionary and learn them by heart
- Read chapter 10 and come up with questions.

Notice of review

Please start reviewing chapters one by one:

- Read the chapters for full understanding
- Words and terms to be remembered
- Questions for each chapter are to be answered sufficiently
- Make full use of listening

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Who practice law:

- **barrister:** a member of the Bar of England and Wales
- **The Bar:** the profession of barrister
- **Bar examination**
- **Inns of Court:** ancient institutions that alone have the power to 'make' barristers
- join the **chambers** of an **established barrister**
- **Chamber:** a group of barristers in independent practice who have joined together to share the costs of practising
- **Queen's Counsel:** QC
- **Counsel:** a barrister
- **take silk:** become QC
- **solicitor**
- **firm**

Who judge; where to judge

- magistrate
- stipendiary
- Justice of Peace: J.P.
- circuit judge
- circuit: The courts of England and Wales are divided into six circuits: North Eastern, Northern, Midland, South Eastern, Western and Wales & Chester circuits
- magistrates' court
- county court
- Tribunal: court of justice
- Crown Court
- Queen's Bench Division