

**For students on all programmes in the
DEPARTMENT OF POLITICS**

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Answer THREE of the following TEN questions in 2 HOURS

1. How radical were the Attlee governments of 1945-51?
2. 'The Suez Crisis had no impact on British politics and very little effect on decolonisation'. Discuss.
3. To what extent was there ideological divergence and policy convergence between the Labour and Conservative parties in 1945-79?
4. How far were socio-economic factors a cause of 'the Troubles' in Northern Ireland from the 1960s to 1980s?
5. Was Margaret Thatcher a Conservative?
6. Why did the opposition parties fare so badly between 1979 and 1992?
7. 'The National Health Service is unrecognisable compared to the system set up in 1948'. Discuss
8. How successful has Labour been while in government since 1997?
9. 'David Cameron's election as Conservative Party leader shows the party has finally learnt from its mistakes of 1992-2005'. Discuss.
10. Are the Liberal Democrats now the most left-wing of the three largest political parties?