**Constitution**

**Define**

* *Limited Government………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………….*
* *Codified……………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………*
* *Entrenched………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………*
* *Two-tier legal system…………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………*
* *Single-tier legal system………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………*
* *Fundamental law………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………*
* *Judicial Review…………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………*
* *Statue Law………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………*
* *Conventions……………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………*
* *Common Law…………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………*
* *Royal Prerogative……………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………*
* *Authoritative Works…………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………*
* *Sovereignty………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………*
* *Rule of Law ……………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………*
* *Unitary State……………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………*
* *Federal State……………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………*
* *Fused Powers……………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………*
* *Constitutional Monarchy…………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………*
* *Elective Dictatorship………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………*
* *Montesquieu…………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………..………*
* *Pooled Sovereignty……………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………*
* *Shared Sovereignty…………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………….……………*
* *Devolution…………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………*
* *Westminster Model…………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………*
* *Quasi-federalism………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………*
* *Krytocracy…………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………..…………*
* *Factortame…………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………..…………*
* *Hirst v UK*…………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………..…………

**A codified constitution should include 5 things – explain them:**

* *How political power should be distributed -*
* *What political processes exist -*

* *The limits of government power -*

* *Rights of citizens -*
* *How to amend it -*

**Sources of the UK Constitution**

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| ***Source*** | ***Explanation*** | ***Example and importance?*** |
| *Statute Law* |  |  |
| *Conventions* |  |  |
| *Common Law* |  |  |
| *Authoritative Works* |  |  |
| *EU Treaties* |  |  |

**Principles of the UK Constitution**

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| ***Principle*** | ***Explanation*** | ***Importance?*** |
| *Parliamentary Sovereignty* |  |  |
| *Rule of Law* |  |  |
| *Unitary State* |  |  |
| *Constitutional Monrachy* |  |  |

**Should we codify the Constitution?**

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| ***YES*** | ***NO*** |
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**Explain why a Krytocracy would be the result of a codified constitution, and why this is bad:**

**Constitutional Reform**

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|  | ***Reform/Date*** | ***What it was and what it changed?*** | ***Has it been successful? (Examples!)*** | ***Has it made the UK more DEMOCRATIC? (Examples!)*** |
| ***LABOUR*** | ***HRA 1998*** |  |  |  |
| ***HoL 1999*** |  |  |  |
| ***Devo 1997/8*** |  |  |  |
| ***Lon Mayor 1997*** |  |  |  |
| ***FoI 2000*** |  |  |  |
| ***CRA 2005*** |  |  |  |
| ***COALITION*** | ***AV Ref 2011*** |  |  |  |
| ***FTP 2011*** |  |  |  |
| ***EU Act 2011*** |  |  |  |
| ***Wright Reforms*** |  |  |  |
| ***Scot Ref 2014*** |  |  |  |
| ***E-Petitions 2010*** |  |  |  |
| ***Succession to Crown Act 2013*** |  |  |  |
| ***CONS*** | ***EVEL 2015*** |  |  |  |
| ***EU Ref 2016*** |  |  |  |

**Failed Reforms – What are they and why did they fail?**

* *MP Recall*
* *HoL Reform*
* *Electoral Systems*
* *British Bill of Rights*
* *Reduction in MPs*

**Strengths and weaknesses of UK Constitution**

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| ***STRENGTHS*** | ***WEAKNESSES*** |
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**EU vs ECHR**

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| ***EU***  *UK joined in:*  *Aims:*  *Deals mostly with:*  *Court is called:*  *Prisoner voting case:*  *Would leaving alter UK Human Rights?* | ***ECHR***  *UK joined in:*  *Aims:*  *Deals mostly with:*  *Court is called:*  *Prisoner voting case:*  *Would leaving alter UK Human Rights?* |

**Parliamentary Sovereignty**

Describe Parl. Sov. in the UK:



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|  | ***Show that we have lost sovereignty to this body*** | ***Show that PARLIAMENT remains sovereign*** |
| ***EU*** |  |  |
| ***ECHR*** |  |  |
| ***Devolution*** |  |  |
| ***Mayors*** |  |  |
| ***HoC*** |  |  |
| ***PM/Cabinet*** |  |  |
| ***Supreme Court*** |  |  |
| ***Referenda*** |  |  |