

Week 3

**United Kingdom: Government,
Politics, Class & Race**

Today's Plan

- New Vocabulary
- Discussion Question
- Reading Quiz (*quiz #3*)
- Lecture & Discussion (Units 3 & 4)
- Assign Homework



doctrine

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noun

A belief or set of beliefs held and taught by an individual, school, church, political party, or other group.

prerogative

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noun

A right or privilege exclusive to a particular individual or class.

A faculty or property distinguishing a person or class.

(royal prerogative) the right of the sovereign, which in British law is theoretically subject to no restriction.

precedent

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noun

An earlier event or action that is regarded as an example or guide to be considered in subsequent similar circumstances.

jet-setting

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adjective

Describing wealthy and fashionable people who travel widely and frequently for pleasure.

eccentric

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adjective

Unconventional and slightly strange
behavior.

pragmatic

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adjective

Dealing with things sensibly and realistically in a way that is based on practical rather than theoretical considerations.

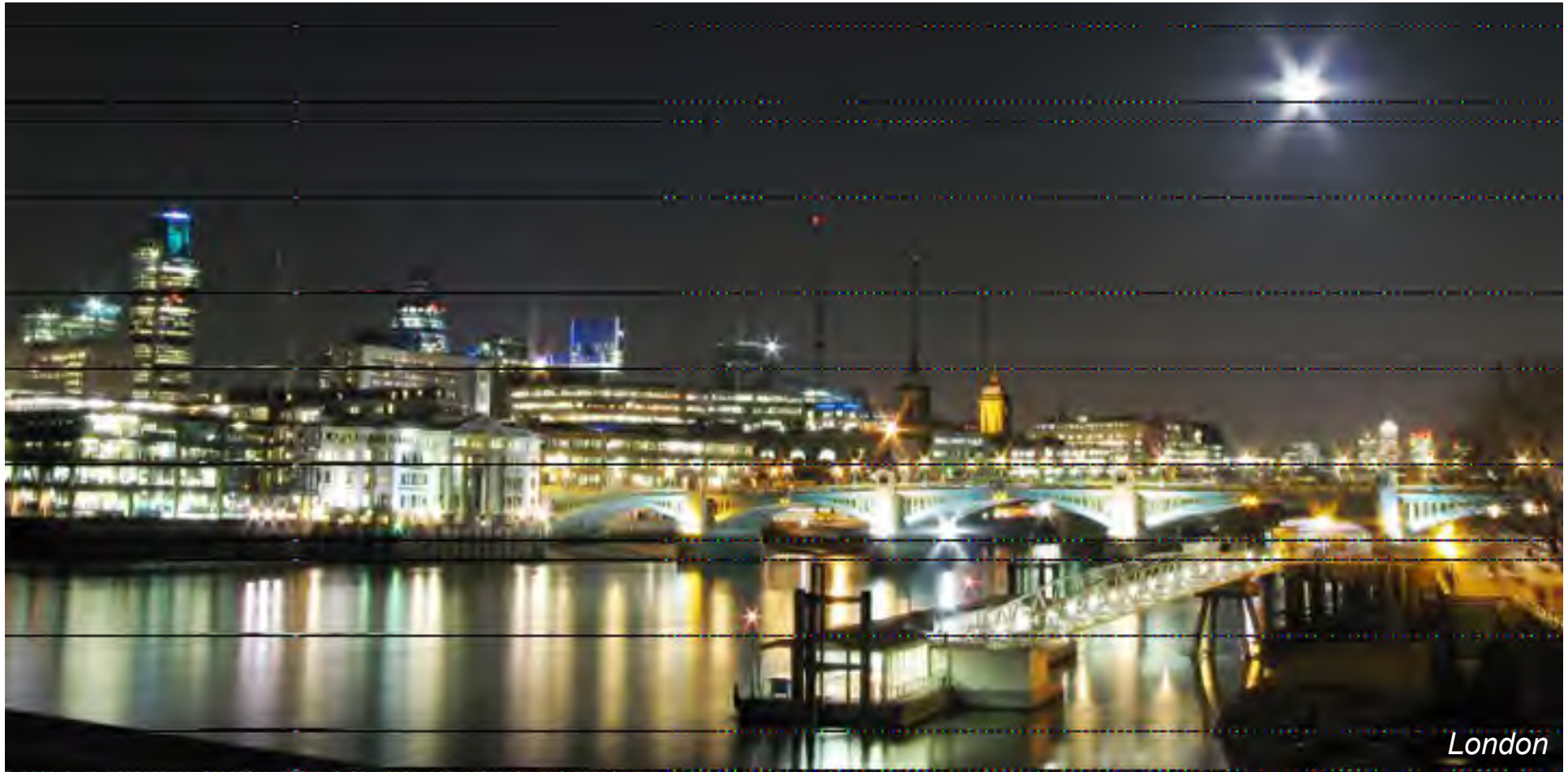
assimilate

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verb

Absorb and integrate (people, ideas, or culture) into a wider society or culture.



Questions

Do you have any questions from your reading assignment?



Discussion Question

People often think of the UK as an exclusively “white” country. This is not true. About 5% of British citizens are from non-European ethnic groups.

What are some of the **positive** and **negative** effects of non-white immigrants into British society?



The United Kingdom

(Government, Politics, Class, Race – units 3 & 4)

Important Topics

Units Three & Four – Government, Politics, Class & Race

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■ **Politics**

- Elections
- Political Parties

■ **Class**

- Working-Class
- Middle-Class

■ **Race**

- (non-white) immigration



UK Monarchy



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UK Prime Minister



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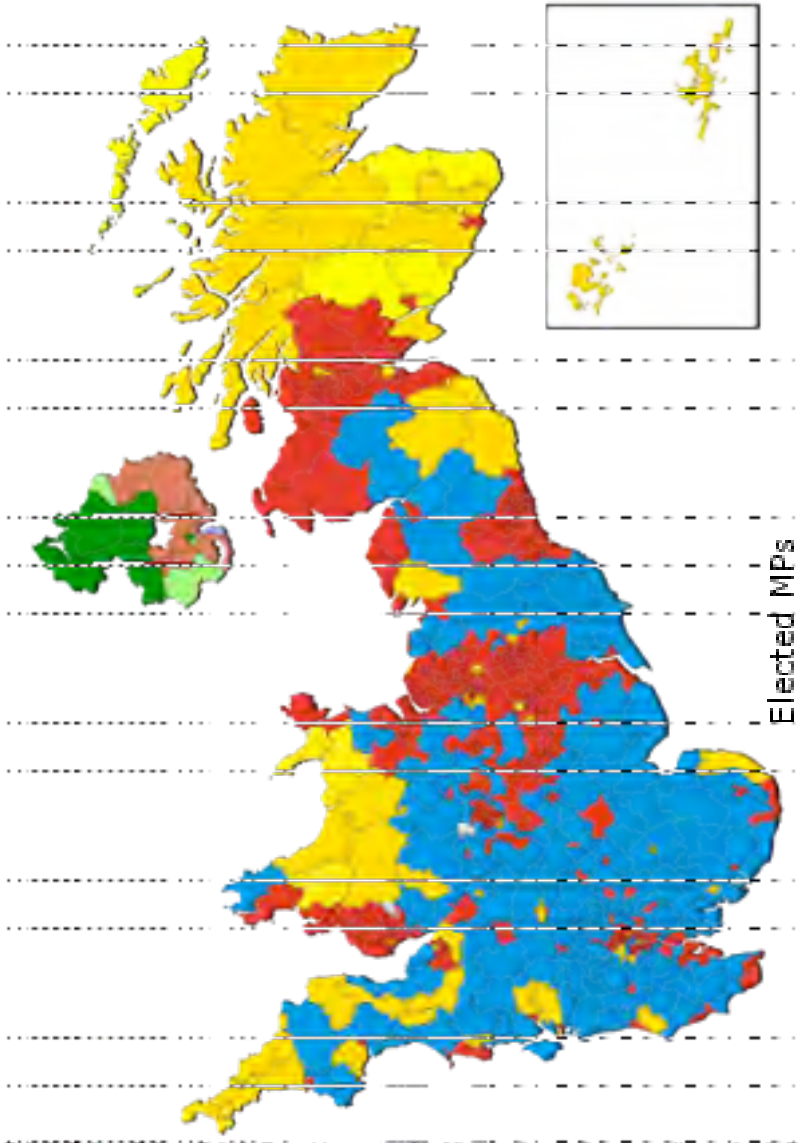
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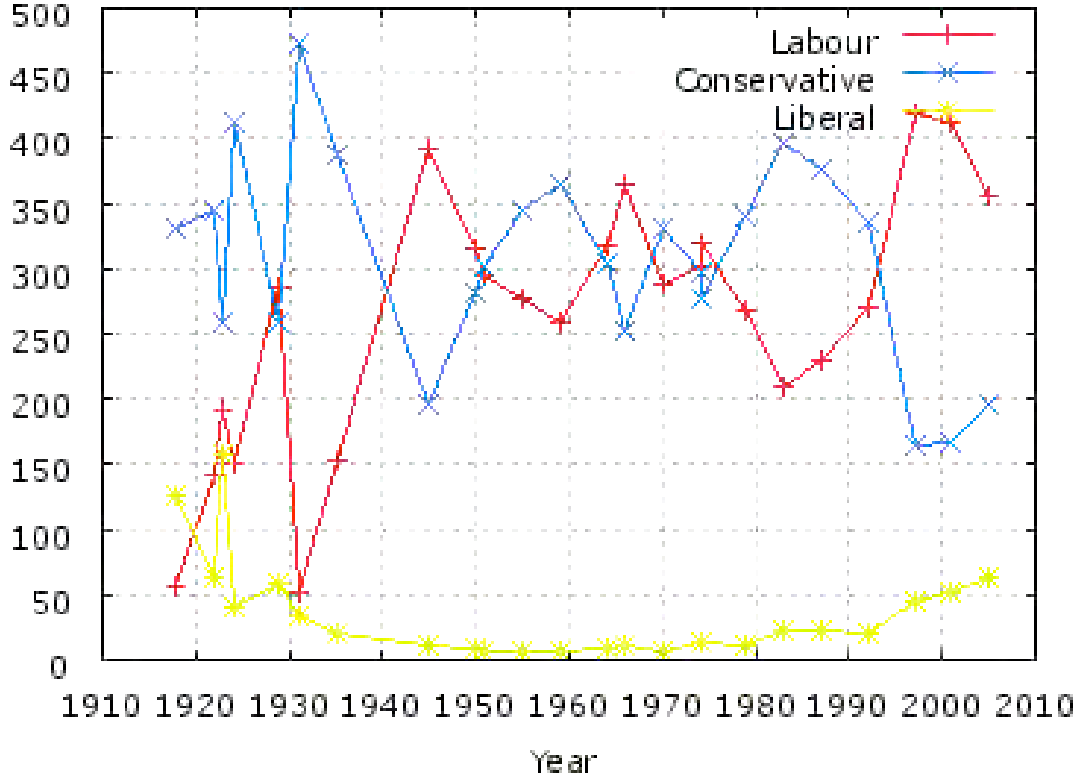
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UK Elections



Election results since 1918



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Homework



- **Read Unit 5** (*UK: Economy*)
 - Take notes while you read.
 - Pay attention to focal points listed for each unit.
 - Review the exercises at the end of each unit.
- **Quiz** material will come from your reading.