



S2 Modern Studies

You have not looked at Modern Studies yet but will in S2 – this will be in your Geography and History classes. You will be able to pick this for S3 and beyond.



What is Modern Studies?

Political

Studying political systems and power. For example Brexit, indyref, the power of individuals, private companies, the media and Government.

How can we change the world or place we live?

International

Studying world powers and world issues. For example comparing the USA, Russia and China to the UK. Looking at global issues – their causes, consequences and how we respond to them. For example, underdevelopment in Africa or international terrorism.

Social

Studying how society is organised. For example looking at rights and responsibilities and crime and punishment. You will also look at inequality, poverty and the treatment of different groups.



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Who runs the World? Part 1

Your task is to investigate a world power. At National and Higher qualifications schools can choose a world power from the G20 countries – pick from this list or any other country you like!



Image Source: Wikipedia
<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/G20>

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Who runs the World? Part 1

Research ...

- Who is in charge? How did they get this job?
- Is the country a democracy – do people have say?
- What are the big issues for this country at the moment? For example response to Covid19, jobs, health, schools, conflict.
- Migration – are people moving to the country or trying to leave?
- Role in the world - do they have a big influence? A big military? A strong economy? Are they in any international organisations such as the EU/UN/NATO?

<https://www.globalfirepower.com/countries-listing.asp>

<https://www.businessinsider.com/worlds-most-powerful-countries-2020-ranked-us-news-2020-T?r=US&IR=T>

https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/docs/one_page_summaries.html

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Complete this in any way you like by **Friday 29th May**. You could ...

Handwrite and send a photo.

Create a PowerPoint.

Type a report.

Record a video or radio report.

Email completed work to grp-famodernstudies@glowschools.org.uk If the email does not send try from your school email – though this problem appears to be fixed!

