



# *PRESNTATION*

## ***Political System of Great Britain***

# Government and *Administration*

- Britain is a parliamentary democracy with a constitutional monarch – Queen Elizabeth II – as head of state.



# The History of English Parliament

- 1066- William of Normandy brought a feudal system.
- 1295- was adopted “Model Parliament”
- 1300-1313 Edward II separated Parliament into two Houses.



◎ 1603- Scottish King James VI provoked the Wars of Three Kingdoms.

◎ 1649- Charles I was executed.

◎ 1660- Cromwell restored the monarchy and the House of Lords.



# Parliament

- Parliament was located at Westminster in London.



- Parliament comprises the House of Commons the House of Lords and the Queen in her Constitutional role

- ◎ General elections must be held every five years by the secret ballot and is from the age of 18.



- ◎ There are 533 English constituencies.



# Government

- ◎ The government is formed by party with majority support in the Commons.
- ◎ The Queen appoints its leader as Prime Minister.



David Cameron

- ⦿ The Prime Minister appoints 20 ministers in the Cabinet.
- ⦿ The second largest party forms the official Opposition with its own leader and “shadow cabinet”; The Opposition has a duty to criticise government policies.



The leader of Opposition  
Ed Miliband



# National symbols

- British national flag is called “Union Jack”. It symbolises the Union of England, Scotland and Ireland and dates back from 1801.



- British National Anthem is “God Save The Queen”

**GOD SAVE THE QUEEN**  
National anthem of United Kingdom



1. God save our gracious Queen,  
Long live our noble Queen,  
God save the Queen!  
Send her victorious  
Send her at last to us,  
And her dear Majesty  
Protect us still,  
God our King defend!

2. O Lord our God arise,  
Soothe our tender fears,  
And make them fall;  
Confound their politics,  
Frustrate their knavish tricks,  
On Thee our hopes we fix,  
And none us fail!

3. Thy choicest gifts in store,  
On her be pleased to pour;  
Long may she reign,  
May she defend our laws,  
And ever give us cause  
To sing with heart and voice,  
God save the Queen!

4. Not in this land alone,  
But in thy house above,  
From shore to shore,  
Lend us the victory, O God,  
That men should bravely fight,  
And face to face,  
The world o'erwin!

5. From every inlet bay,  
From the remotest shore,  
God save the Queen!  
O'er her those waves extend,  
For Britain's rocks defend,  
Our mother, grave, and friend,  
God save the Queen!