The Government And Politics Of Wales

The latest revision of what is the best available guide to modern French politics. Aiming to contribute to the reader's greater understanding of Lebanese government and politics, this book provides a comprehensive examination of the origin, development, and institutionalization of sectarian consociationalism in Lebanon. A recurrent proposition advanced in this book is that Lebanese sectarian consociationalism has been both a cure and a curse in the formulation of political settlements and institution building. On the one hand, and in contrast to many surrounding Arab regimes, consociational arrangements have provided the country with a relative democratic political life. A limited government with a strong confessional division of power and a built-in checks and balance mechanism prevented the emergence of dictatorship or monarchy. On the other hand, a chronic weak state has complicated efforts for nation building in favour of sectarian fragmentation, external interventions, and strong polarization that periodically brought the country to the verge of total collapse and civil war. While examining Lebanese sectarian politics of conflict and concession during different historic junctures many revelations are made that underlie the role of domestic and international forces shaping the country's future. Presenting an implicit description of the power and functions of the various branches of government within the context of sectarian consociationalism, this book is an important introductory text for students of Lebanese Politics and Middle Eastern politics more broadly.

When originally published in 1991 this was the first book to tackle the UK policy process of sport and to provide a political science analysis of some of the key issues facing sports administrators today. The volume identifies the parties involved: central government, local government, the Sports Council, the Central Council of Physical Recreation, and the individual sports governing bodies. It examines their effect on sport's policy and administration through an analysis of three important current sport issues - football hooliganism, drug abuse among athletes and sport opportunities and facilities for school children. Comprehensive overview of New York State government and politics. The fourth edition of this leading text provides again a clear and comprehensive account of politics in the Netherlands. It has been revised and updated throughout to provide full coverage of recent developments and events - and, in particular, examines the challenges to
the distinctively Dutch quest for consensus. Written for all students of politics coming to the subject for the first time, this textbook provides a lively and accessible introduction and guide to all the main features and characteristics of one of the most distinctive and complex political systems in the world. Taking the long view of conflicts between truth and political power, what role does truth play in government? In context of recent political discourse around the globe—and especially in the United States—it is easy to believe that truth, in the form of indisputable facts, is a matter of debate. But it’s also important to remember that since ancient times, every religious and philosophical tradition has wrestled with this question. In this volume, scholars representing ten traditions—Western and Eastern, religious and secular—address the nature of truth and its role in government. Among the questions they address: When is deception permissible, or even a good thing? What remedies are necessary and useful when governments fail in their responsibilities to be truthful? The authors consider the relationship between truth and governance in democracies, but also in non-democratic regimes. Although democracy is distinctive in requiring truth as a fundamental basis for governing, non-democratic forms of government also cannot do without truth entirely. If ministers cannot give candid advice to rulers, the government’s policies are likely to proceed on false premises and therefore fail. If rulers do not speak truthfully to their people, trust will erode. Each author in this book addresses a common set of issues: the nature of truth; the morality of truth-telling; the nature of government, which shapes each tradition’s understanding of the relationship between governance and truth; the legitimacy and limits of regulating speech; and remedies when truth becomes divorced from governance. Truth and Governance will open readers’ eyes to the variety of possible approaches to the relationship between truth and governance. Readers will find views they thought self-evident challenged and will come away with a greater understanding of the importance of truth and truth-telling, and of how to counter deliberate deception. India, with its 900 million inhabitants, is the world’s most populous democracy whose success in sustaining its democratic institutions in the face of deep internal divisions and cleavages makes it of special interest to the student of comparative politics. Ramesh Thakur’s new text provides a lively and up-to-date introduction to the government and politics of India, and offers a wealth of empirical detail combined with sophisticated critical analysis. It explains the historical legacies that have shaped the structures of Indian government and influenced patterns of politics. The author describes the network of Indian institutions at federal and provincial level and conveys a sense of where power is located, how it is used and the constraints on its exercise. Special attention is devoted to caste, religion and regionalism in Indian society and to the nature of democratic politics in relation to third world development. This exciting new edition of the successful textbook for students of Middle Eastern politics provides a highly relevant and comprehensive introduction to the complexities of a region in constant flux. Combining a thematic framework for examining patterns of politics with individual chapters dedicated to specific countries, the book places the very latest developments and long-standing issues within an historical context, introducing key concepts from comparative politics to further explore the interaction between Middle Eastern history and the region’s contemporary political development. Presenting information in an accessible and inclusive format, the book offers: • Coverage of the historical influence of colonialism and major world powers on the shaping of the modern Middle East. • A detailed examination of the legacy of Islam. • Analysis of the political and social aspects of Middle Eastern life: alienation between state and society, poverty and social inequality, ideological crises and renewal. • Case studies on countries in the Northern Belt (Turkey and Iran); the Fertile Crescent (Iraq, Syria and Lebanon, Israel/Palestine); and those West and East of the Red Sea (Egypt and the members of the Gulf Cooperation Council), moving through an historical examination to close analysis of the most recent developments and their political and social impacts. • Extensive pedagogical features, including original maps and further reading sections, provide essential support for the reader. A key introductory text for students of Middle Eastern politics and history at advanced undergraduate and postgraduate levels, this new edition has been extensively updated to also become a timely and significant reference for policy-makers and any motivated reader. Emphasizing the relevance of politics and government in everyday life, We the People, Seventh Edition, continues to provide tools to help students think critically about American government and politics. From the founding of the American government to the present-day challenges, this clearly explained text is a perfect guide for anyone who wants to be knowledgeable
about the democratic system and the laws that affect the lives of Americans. It elucidates the complexity of the U.S. political system and provides readers with the information necessary to make them more engaged and competent participants in the American system of government. This book was designed for those who want to develop a better understanding of American political culture, structures, and governmental functions, as well as the relationships between the branches of government and associated institutions. The content is focused on an essential review of all the important facts, concepts, and theories of U.S. government and politics. You will learn about historical figures and important events that established the foundations of American government, the meaning and significance of the Constitution and the Bill of Rights, how each branch of government functions and how they interact with each other, as well as the influence of special interest groups on policy and politics. Created by highly qualified political science teachers, scholars, and researchers, this book educates and empowers both the average and the highly informed American, helping them develop and increase their understanding of American democracy. With recent upheavals in the Middle East and North Africa, the eighth edition of The Government and Politics of the Middle East and North Africa has been thoroughly revised to provide a necessary, comprehensive and current examination of the domestic politics and foreign policies of this crucial region. A newly expanded introduction provides students with a comparative and thematic overview of the region, from its political regimes and electoral institutions to its economic and social concerns. Each chapter, written by an invited specialist, uses a common framework to explore the historical background, social and political environment, political structure and dynamics, and foreign policy of a country. Chapters are augmented by a country map, a box providing key facts, and an annotated bibliography summarizing the major literature. The eighth edition provides vital new considerations of the aftermath of the Arab Spring, the ongoing sectarian violence and rise of ISIS, and the growth of social forces like youth movements and women's rights groups. In addition, the inclusion of six new contributors brings fresh perspectives, ensuring that The Government and Politics of the Middle East and North Africa remains an essential guide to the region's political landscape. Written by an experienced teacher and scholar, this new and revised second edition of Government and Politics in Taiwan introduces students to the big questions concerning change and continuity in Taiwanese politics and governance. Taking a critical approach, Dafydd Fell provides students with the essential background to the history and development of the political system, as well as an explanation of the key structures, processes and institutions that have shaped Taiwan over the last few decades. Using key features such as suggestions for further reading and end-of-chapter study questions, this textbook covers: • the transition to democracy and party politics; • cross-Strait relations and foreign policy; • electoral politics and voting; • social movements; • national identity; • gender politics. Having been fully updated to take to take stock of the 2012 and 2016 General Elections, the Sunflower Movement and new developments in cross-Strait relations, this is an essential text for any course on Taiwanese politics, Chinese politics and East Asian politics. Written by experienced teachers Andrew Colclough and Sarra Jenkins, this Student Guide for Politics: -Identifies the key content you need to know with a concise summary of topics examined in the A-level specifications - Enables you to measure your understanding with exam tips and knowledge check questions, with answers at the end of the guide - Helps you to improve your exam technique with sample answers to exam-style questions - Develops your independent learning skills with content you can use for further study and research - How does the government decide what’s a problem and what isn’t? And what are the consequences of that process? Like individuals, Congress is subject to the “paradox of search.” If policy makers don’t look for problems, they won’t find those that need to be addressed. But if they carry out a thorough search, they will almost certainly find new problems—and with the definition of each new problem comes the possibility of creating a government program to address it. With The Politics of Attention, leading policy scholars Frank R. Baumgartner and Bryan D. Jones demonstrated the central role attention plays in how governments prioritize problems. Now, with The Politics of Information, they turn the focus to the problem-detection process itself, showing how the growth or contraction of government is closely related to how it searches for information and how, as an organization, it analyzes its findings. Better search processes that incorporate more diverse viewpoints lead to more intensive policymaking activity. Similarly, limiting search processes leads to declines in policy making. At the same time, the authors
find little evidence that the factors usually thought to be responsible for government expansion—partisan control, changes in presidential leadership, and shifts in public opinion—can be systematically related to the patterns they observe. Drawing on data tracing the course of American public policy since World War II, Baumgartner and Jones once again deepen our understanding of the dynamics of American policy making.

The Government and Politics of France has been the leading textbook on French politics for over a generation, and continues to provide students with a comprehensive and incisive introduction to the intricacies of French politics and government. This edition updates every chapter, with the addition of a new chapter on France and Europe. Recent events necessitate a new edition, particularly the 2002 elections and the growing interpenetration of France and the EU in student programmes, as well as in the real world. Whether covering the shifting balance within France's two-headed executive, the paradoxes of the French party politics, the power and fragmentation of France's administration, the growing assertiveness of French local government, or the newly visible world of the judiciary, the Government and Politics of France has always sought to confront established paradigms with the complex and untidy reality of French politics at the grass roots.

Political Management lays out the core tools to manage government, campaigns and parties. The first book to combine management concepts with politics and government, it provides core theories for what Political Planning, Political HR, Political Organising, Political Leadership and Political Reviewing involve, illustrated with high level political practitioner interviews, examples and political documents. The text presents the 4Ds of Political Management - Deliberating, Designing, Doing and Dancing - to convey that Political Management is more of a dance than a march. Even presidents and prime ministers do not have enough formal authority to control the myriad of practitioners, players, processes and policies involved in 21st century governance. In this book, the author demonstrates why political practitioners in campaign teams, parties, government departments and political offices need political management tools to utilise the resources they have available and overcome multiple obstacles that practical politics presents. By offering a clear sense of what political management involves and providing the theoretical frameworks to be used in empirical research, this book will stimulate significant future study. It will be invaluable to practitioners, scholars and students in politics, government, policy, leadership, management, public administration, and political management.

Information from around the world related to the government and politics of Belarus. Comprehensively revised for this new edition, this popular textbook has been extended to assess the progress made by states - mostly weakened in capacity and crippled by debt - in moving towards democratic pluralism and a market economy. Using examples and case studies drawn from different parts of Africa, the book investigates both theoretically and in considerable detail a range of institutions as well as key issues including decentralisation, the role of women, the tragedy of Rwanda, and the impact of a liberated South Africa upon African states to the north. The latest edition of this renowned textbook explores the states and regimes of the Middle East and North Africa. Presenting heavily revised, fully updated chapters contributed by the world’s leading experts, it analyzes the historical trajectory, political institutions, economic development, and foreign policies of the region’s nearly two dozen countries. The volume can be used in conjunction with its sister volume, The Societies of the Middle East and North Africa, for a comprehensive overview of the region. Chapters are organized and structured identically, giving insightful windows into the nuances of each country’s domestic politics and foreign relations. Data tables and extensive annotated bibliographies orient readers towards further research. Whether used in conjunction with its sister volume or on its own, this book provides the most comprehensive and detailed overview of the region’s varied politics. Five new experts cover the critical country cases of Turkey, Lebanon, Jordan, Saudi Arabia, and Iran. All chapters cover the latest events, including trends that have remarkably changed in just a few years like the gradual end of the Syrian civil war. As such, this textbook is invaluable to students of Middle Eastern politics. The ninth edition brings substantial changes. All chapters also have a uniform, streamlined structure that explores the historical context, social and economic environment, political institutions, regime dynamics, and foreign policy of each country. Fact boxes and political maps are now far more extensive, and photographs and images also help illustrate key points. Annotated bibliographies are vastly expanded, providing nothing short of the best list of research references for each country. Despite the widespread attention attracted by Spain's remarkable transition
from General Franco's repressive dictatorship to a dynamic democracy, this is the first comprehensive study in English of the new Spanish political system. The book introduces the main institutions and features of the contemporary Spanish state and assesses to what extent these still bear the imprint of the Francoist legacy. Despite some remaining obstacles and difficulties, Paul Heywood argues, the country is now decisively in the political mainstream of the new Europe.

Israeli government and politics have undergone significant changes since the second edition of this book was published in 1983. Israel withdrew from Lebanon, absorbed hundreds of thousands of new immigrants from the collapsed Soviet Union and Ethiopia, and undertook peace negotiations with the Palestinians and other Arab neighbors that led to a historic peace treaty, the Declaration of Principles. These events were made possible as a result of several institutional, legal, and normative changes in the political system. This completely revised edition of The Government and Politics of Israel offers a comprehensive and up-to-date overview of the dynamics of Israeli politics. This edition focuses on issues that have become central in the study of Israel's political system, such as new electoral procedures, the formation of new parties, government administrative reorganization, fresh personalities on the national scene, and the peace process. The book is intended to familiarize those interested in Israel's government with its origins; the evolution of its institutions, practices, and traditions; and the workings of the government today.

Presents an introduction to American government and politics, discussing such topics as the responsibilities of each branch of government, the Constitution, political parties, and how economic, foreign, and defense policies are formulated. Account of the contemporary Indian political system. Create confident, literate and well-prepared students with skills-focused, topic specific workbooks. Our Student Workbooks build students understanding, developing the confidence and exam skills they need, whilst providing ready prepared lesson solutions. - Supplements key resources such as textbooks to adapt easily to existing schemes of work - Offers time-saving and economical lesson solutions for both specialist and non-specialist teachers - Provides flexible resource material to reinforce and apply topic understanding throughout the course, as classwork or extension tasks, or with revision - Creates opportunities for self-directed learning and assessment with answers to tasks and activities supplied online - Prepares students to meet the demands of the specification by practising exam technique and developing their literacy skills. North Carolina has been a leader in the South and the nation since 1775, when it became "First in Freedom" by calling for its independence from British rule. Throughout its history, the state has had a reputation as a progressive force. This book offers both an assessment and an examination of the realities of the state's leadership. Analyzing a wide range of political actors and organizations, which includes the state legislature, the governor and executive branch, the judiciary, political parties, interest groups, and the media, Fleer illuminates North Carolina's rich political history, its evolving constitutional order, and its changing political culture. Although revealing a pattern of elitist paternalism in the state's political history, the book illustrates a parallel pattern of popular participation and control. Major forces of change are increasingly defining the state. These transitional factors include a significant biracial electorate, a stratified society, a diverse electorate, increasingly varied and mobilized political interest groups, a competitive political party system, and a more representative political leadership. New challenges to the state's future development are its aging population, the preparedness of its work force, the globalization of its economy, the protection of its natural resources, and the education of its children for
the next century. Each new political debate, policy choice, and election reminds North Carolinians of their fundamental challenge: establishing a government by enlightened and effective popular consent. Examining the politics of each Pacific Island state and territory, this well-researched volume discusses historical background and colonial experience, constitutional framework, political institutions, political parties, elections and electoral systems, and problems and prospects. Pacific Island countries and territories included are the original seven member states—New Zealand, Australia, Fiji, Samoa, Tonga, Nauru, and the Cook Islands—along with all the new member states and organizations. A wide-ranging political survey, this comprehensive and completely up to date reference will appeal to Pacific peoples and anyone with an interest in politics. "This new edition provides and up-to-date and authoritative introduction to the main institutions, policies, processes and actors of the European Union, set in historical context."--Page 4 de la couverture.

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