

Conservatism: Activities

Short questions (A01, A02)

Try to draw up brief responses to the questions below:

Explain why Conservatives place an emphasis on tradition?

Why have traditional conservatives been suspicious of general principles, such as freedom or equality, in considering how society should be organised?

Why is an authority an important theme for conservatives?

Why do conservatives argue that society should be considered an organic entity?

Explain the main differences in the way in which traditional conservatives and the New Right's neo-liberals believe the state should deal with the economy?

What kind of different arguments do the conservatives own to defend the idea of private property?

In preparing your responses, think carefully about the following points:

Information: To show that you have wide and detailed information, think carefully of the different types of concepts, principles and thinkers that need to be discussed to fully answer the question.

Clarity: To ensure that you clearly present your information, consider carefully how to structure your response. Consider the order in which your points should be placed to ensure that your response flows smoothly.

Relevance: To ensure that your response discusses relevant points, ensure that you understand precisely what the questions is asking you to do and then ensure that you only include material relevant to the question in your response.