

Download free The unfinished revolution how the modernisers saved the labour party [PDF]

on 1 may 1997 an event regarded by many as a sea change occurred in british politics not only had the conservatives been ejected from office after 18 years in power but the labour party which replaced them had itself changed irrevocably tony blair s majority of 179 was the culmination of a long hard struggle to modernize the politics of his country philip gould a political strategist and polling adviser has worked with the labour leadership for 11 years and has been a key adviser to bill clinton in addition to his involvement with the creation of new labour using this vantage point he describes the rise of new labour since 1983 and explains how the transformation was achieved in the process he explores the new political climate in britain and how the real modernization is in the old labels of left and right being transcended this volume includes fourteen essays by eminent sociologists in memory of ramkrishna mukherjee 1919 2017 the last of the founding architects of sociology in india it also includes two interviews with ramkrishna mukherjee by senior sociologists the essays cover a variety of themes and topics close to the works of ramkrishna mukherjee the idea of unitary social science methodology of social research the question of facts and values rural society and social change social mobility family and gender and nationalism in the two interviews included here mukherjee clarifies his intellectual trajectory as well as issues of methodology and methods in social research overall this volume endorses his emphasis on the need for social researchers to transcend the what and how to why in the pursuit of sociological knowledge the volume is a valuable addition to the history of sociology in india students of sociology and other social sciences will find it useful as a book of substantive readings on social dynamics those researching the social world will find in it a useful guide to issues in designing and execution of social research projects where other books are either highly partisan dismissals or appreciations of the third way or dull sociological accounts this book gets behind the clichés in order to show just what is left of labour party ideology and what the future may hold new labour has changed the face of britain culture class education health the arts leisure the economy have all seen seismic shifts since the 1997 election that raised blair to power the labour that rules has distanced itself from the failed labour of the 70s and 80s but the core remains labour remains gripped by its own past unable and unwilling to shed its ties to the old labour party but determined to avoid the mistakes of

which lead to four electoral defeats between 1979 and 1992 cronin covers the full history of the party from its post war triumph through decades of shambolic leadership against ruthless and organised opposition to the resurgent new labour of the 90s that finally took britain into the new millennium politics today is inextricably bound to the media indeed it is now a routine assumption that the media can determine election outcomes consequently over the last twenty years the conduct of politics has become increasingly driven by what might play well on television or in the press election campaigning budgets party platforms and even the contents of legislative bills are dominated by media considerations westminster tales explores how that relationship works in practice what sort of deals are done between politicians and journalists what tactics do politicians use to try and manipulate the media what are journalists techniques of resistance what determines how a campaign is put together have policy issues and the national good really been surrendered to image making and sound bite tactics barnett and gaber examine the modern process of political communication through the eyes of the many actors now involved through their own experiences and through personal interviews conducted with many of the key media and political figures they construct a vivid picture of how political communication is managed today and the direction in which it is going on 12 may 1997 the foreign secretary robin cook launched a mission statement for new labour s foreign policy this essay asks whether new labour have re orientated the path of foreign policy from that established by the conservatives this book explains and assesses the relevance of the ideas of gramsci it takes his core concepts and uses them to analyse features of present day politics and assess the extent to which his ideas can aid the understanding of the contemporary political world this volume offers an overview of the methodologies of research in the field of military studies as an institution relying on individuals and resources provided by society the military has been studied by scholars from a wide range of disciplines political science sociology history psychology anthropology economics and administrative studies the methodological approaches in these disciplines vary from computational modelling of conflicts and surveys of military performance to the qualitative study of military stories from the battlefield and veterans experiences rapidly developing technological facilities more powerful hardware more sophisticated software digitalization of documents and pictures render the methodologies in use more dynamic than ever the routledge handbook of research methods in military studies offers a comprehensive and dynamic overview of these developments as they emerge in the many approaches to military studies the chapters in this handbook are divided over four parts starting research qualitative methods quantitative methods and finalizing a study and every chapter starts with the description of a well published study illustrating the methodological issues

that will be dealt with in that particular chapter hence this handbook not only provides methodological know how but also offers a useful overview of military studies from a variety of research perspectives this handbook will be of much interest to students of military studies security and war studies civil military relations military sociology political science and research methods in general this title was first published in 2000 linking politics with culture and society this collection provides an overview of the scottish parliament and analyzes it in relation to uk european and global regionalization argues against the assertion that there is no alternative to neo liberalism overhauls the history of modernisation and the british left and recasts our understanding of new labour this work marks the first time a researcher has had largely unlimited access and every significant aspect of the upper chamber has been scrutinized the result is a unique portrait packed with the unexpected of a surprising institution which is becoming increasingly influential meticulous scholarship is combined with clarity in explanation to produce a work that helps to bridge the gap between anthropology and political science contributors ranging from chancellor gordon brown to the guardian newspaper s polly toybee discuss the labour party s political philosophy and address key topics like globalization constitutional reform equality and the third way beautifully written brilliantly insightful owen jones tony blair and noel gallagher shaking hands at no 10 saatchi s ybas setting the international art world aflame geri halliwell in a union jack dress a time of vibrancy and optimism when the country was united by the hope of a better and brighter future so why twenty years on did that future never happen richard power sayeed takes a provocative look at this epochal year arguing that the dark undercurrents of that time had a much more enduring legacy than the marketing gimmick of cool britannia he reveals how the handling of the stephen lawrence inquiry ushered in a new type of racism how the feminism lite of girl power made sexism stronger and how the promises of new labour left the country more fractured than ever this lively rich and evocative book explores why 1997 was a turning point for british culture and society away from a fairer brighter future and on the path to our current malaise culture wars investigates the relationship between the media and politics in britain today it focusses on how significant sections of the national press have represented and distorted the policies of the labour party and particularly its left from the thatcher era up to and including ed miliband s and jeremy corbyn s leaderships revised and updated including five brand new chapters this second edition shows how press hostility to the left particularly newspaper coverage of its policies on race gender and sexuality has morphed into a more generalised campaign against political correctness the liberal elite and the so called enemies of the people combining fine grained case studies with authoritative overviews of recent british political and

media history culture wars demonstrates how much of the press have routinely attacked labour and in so doing have abused their political power distorted public debate and negatively impacted the news agendas of public service broadcasters the book also raises the intriguing question of whether the rise of social media and the success of its initial exploitation by corbyn supporters followed by labour as a whole in the 2017 general election represent a major shift in the balance of power between labour and the media and in particular the right wing press culture wars will be of considerable interest to students and researchers in the fields of media politics and contemporary british history and will also attract those with a more general interest in current affairs in the uk tony blair has dominated british political life for more than a decade like margaret thatcher before him he has changed the terms of political debate and provoked as much condemnation as admiration at the end of his era in power this book presents a wide ranging overview of the achievements and failures of the blair governments bringing together britain s most eminent academics and commentators on british politics and society it examines the effect of the prime minister and his administration on the machinery of government economic and social policy and foreign relations combining serious scholarship with clarity and accessibility this book represents the authoritative verdict on the impact of the blair years on british politics and society the impact of political lobbyists remains highly controversial no one has explored when they matter this book tells readers when lobbyists count and analyses the relationship between lobbying policy outcomes and the impact of external factors to reveal the professional lobbyist s limited effect on policy on most policy issues lobbyists simply do not matter but on rare occasions lobbyists can make a difference and this book explains when they matter and why this is an important critical assessment of labour s periods of renewal and modernisation beginning with an indepth analysis of the policy review of 1987 92 the author then considers how the lessons of this period influenced the commission on social justice instigated by john smith and tony blair s reform of clause iv these events are considered as attempts to resolve traditional problems facing the labour party the abiding legacy and importance of these fundamental problems is assessed anyone but england is a detailed exploration into the origins of cricket the romance cultural identity hypocrisy flaws of governance and glory of the game mike marqusee an american who fell in love with cricket when he moved to the uk in the 1970s looks at the history of elitism and empire and how race and class have always been issues in the game scrutinising the long saga of south africa s exclusion from world cricket marqusee charts england s collusion with apartheid and also details an eye opening account of pakistan s controversial ball tampering tour of england which provoked intense debate amongst cricket fans about the role of both the media and racism in the modern

game showing that supporting the game does not mean you need be blind to its flaws marqusee s passion and enthusiasm for cricket is threaded through every element of anyone but england winner of the aberdare literary prize awarded by the british society of sports history 1994 shortlisted for the william hill sports book of the year award 1994 despite becoming a big issue in public debate social mobility is one of the most misunderstood processes of our time in this accessible and engaging text geoff payne one of britain s leading mobility analysts presents up to date sociological research evidence to demonstrate how our politicians have not grasped the ways in which mobility works the new social mobility argues for considering a wider range of dimensions of mobility and life chances notably the workings of the labour market to assess more accurately the causes and consequences of mobility as social and political processes bringing together a range of literature and research it covers key themes of mobility analysis and offers a critical and original approach to social mobility this important book will challenge the well established opinions of politicians pressure groups the press academics and the public it is also sufficiently comprehensive to be suitable for teaching and of interest to a broad academic audience on 29 january 2008 philip gould was told he had cancer he was stoical and set about his treatment determined to fight his illness in the face of difficult decisions he sought always to understand the disease and the various medical options open to him supported by his wife gail and their two daughters georgia and grace in 2010 after two hard years of chemotherapy and surgery the tests came up clear philip appeared to have won the battle but his work as a key strategist for the labour party took its toll and feeling ill six months later he insisted on one extra precautionary test which told him that the cancer had returned thus began philip s long painful but ultimately optimistic journey towards death during which time he began to appreciate and make sense of his life his work and his relationships in a way he had never thought possible he realized something that he had never heard articulated before death need not be only negative or painful it can be life affirming and revelatory written during the last few months of his life when i die describes the journey philip took with his illness leaving to us what he called his lessons from the death zone this courageous profoundly moving and inspiring work is as valuable a legacy to the world as anyone could wish to bestow hugely uplifting beautifully written with extraordinary insight like the immensely successful previous edition of this highly respected work this new edition has been jointly prepared and thorough updated by colin turpin and adam tomkins it takes fully into account constitutional developments under the coalition government and examines the most recent case law of the supreme court the european court of justice and the european court of human rights while it includes extensive material and commentary on contemporary

constitutional practice the book covers the historical traditions and the continuity of the british constitution as well as the current tide of change designed principally for law students the book includes substantial extracts from parliamentary and other political sources as well as from legislation and case law making it ideal for politics and government students with its fresh design it provides a full yet accessible account of the british constitution at a fascinating moment in its ongoing development too often observers of globalization take for granted that the common ground across cultures is a thin layer of consumerism and perhaps human rights if so then anything deeper and more traditional would be placebound and probably destined for the dustbin of history but must this be so must we assume as both liberals and traditionalists now tend to do that one cannot be a cosmopolitan and take traditions seriously at the same time this book offers a radically different argument about how traditions and global citizenship can meet and suggests some important lessons for the contours of globalization in our own time adam k webb argues that if we look back before modernity we find a very different line of thinking about what it means to take the whole world as one s horizon digging into some fascinating currents of thought and practice in the ancient world the middle ages and the early modern period across all major civilizations webb is able to reveal patterns of deep cosmopolitanism with its logic quite unlike that of liberal globalization today in their more cosmopolitan moments everyone from clerics to pilgrims to empire builders was inclined to look for deep ethical parallels points of contact among civilizations and traditions once modernity swept aside the old civilizations however that promise was largely forgotten we now have an impoverished view of what it means to embrace a tradition and even what kinds of conversations across traditions are possible in part two webb draws out the lessons of deep cosmopolitanism for our own time if revived it has something to say about everything from the rise of new non western powers like china and india and what they offer the world to religious tolerance to global civil society to cross border migration deep cosmopolis traces an alternative strand of cosmopolitan thinking that cuts across centuries and civilizations it advances a new perspective on world history and a distinctive vision of globalization for this century which has the real potential to resonate with us all new labour was outwardly hostile to trade unions and their concerns yet the blair government worked closely with the tuc on several key employment reforms steve coulter analyses the dimensions of the often fractious labour union partnership and shows how the tuc pursued an insider lobbying route to influence the shape of new labour s policies timothy heppell brings together a renowned group of contributors to consider the role of the leader of the opposition in british politics the book argues that the neglect of opposition studies needs to be addressed especially

given the increasing importance attached to the performance the leader of the opposition in the british political system scottish devolution brought high hopes for an open political culture but how far have these been fulfilled open scotland argues that in the field of political communication the old established ways of the british state still remain firmly in place westminster and whitehall still cast long shadows over edinburgh this book offers the first full scale coverage of how media politicians and lobbyists interact in the new scotland based on their exceptional first hand access to the key players philip schlesinger david miller and william dinan have written an inside account of the struggles to establish the rules of the game for covering politics they have talked to the journalists of scotland s political media pack who are at the heart of the new political system and who have a decisive impact on the image of the scottish parliament and government they have observed and interviewed the professional lobbyists and reveal their strategies for achieving a respectable image in scottish public life and they have analysed some of the key rows and the failures of news management inside scotland s government open scotland offers an insight to the world of lobbyists journalists and spin doctors revealing the motivations behind the news stories in scottish politics today the politics of coalition is the tale of two parties embarking on the first coalition government at westminster for over 60 years what challenges did they face in the first couple of years and how did they deal with them with the authorisation of prime minister david cameron deputy prime minister nick clegg and the then cabinet secretary sir gus o donnell the constitution unit has interviewed over 140 ministers mps lords civil servants party officials and interest groups about the coalition and the impact coalition government has had upon westminster and whitehall the politics of coalition tells how the coalition has operated in the different arenas of the british political system at the centre within the departments in parliament in the parties outside parliament and in the media it will be of interest to politicians policy makers academics students and anyone interested in how the uk coalition works in practice and not just in theory the research for the book was funded by the nuffield foundation an essential resource for anyone with an interest in the coalition its workings behind the scenes and its prospects for the future packed with facts insights and telling detail benedict brogan the telegraph the politics of coalition provides an invaluable route map to the way the conservative liberal government works and identifies important lessons to guide politicians officials and the media if no party wins an overall majority at the next election rt hon peter riddell director institute for government this book is pure gold contemporary history at its best it will fascinate those inside the coalition those who witness its developing emotional geography from parliament and the general public keen to know how what is for the british a

very peculiar practice is working out lord hennessy of nympsfield attlee professor of contemporary british history queen mary university of london this study looks at the influence of ideas and think tanks in britain contemplating how ideas have shaped politics and society the purveyors of ideas for change the think tanks are examined and academics and participants views are recorded in a number of interviews this timely book is the first to address the role of credit in uk higher education it provides an overview and history of the development of credit in the uk he sector and highlights how credit can be a vehicle for widening access and student choice for curricular flexibility and mobility of learning this resounding defence of the principles of free expression revisits the satanic verses uproar of 1989 as well as subsequent incidents such as the danish cartoons controversy to argue that the human right of free speech is by no means so secure that it can be taken for granted this study looks at the influence of ideas and think tanks in britain contemplating how ideas have shaped politics and society the purveyors of ideas for change the think tanks are examined and academics and participants views are recorded in a number of interviews party conferences are central to the life of political parties they contribute to setting policy agendas developing policy options legitimizing policy choices building party cohesion motivating activists and publicizing party activities to the wider public an analysis of their evolution in britain helps us understand the ways in which political parties change this book combines anthropological methods with political science to analyze changing power relationships party organizations and political culture in british political parties labour conservative liberal democrats the greens substantially revised and updated this textbook continues to provide the best introduction currently available on the british political party system explaining the history structure actors and policies of both the main political parties and the minor parties this year marks the twentieth anniversary of one of the most momentous general elections this country has ever seen john major s defeat in 1997 ended a record eighteen years of tory government prompting accusations of failure and ignominy a controversial leader major oversaw numerous crises in international and domestic policy between 1990 and 1997 he presided over britain s participations in the gulf war the start of the northern ireland peace process the maastricht treaty negotiations and famously black wednesday and britain s exit from the erm towards the end major s government was split over europe and ridden with allegations of sleaze widely criticised by the media and politicians from all parties major went on to be crushed by tony blair and new labour in the 1997 general election an unsuccessful prime minister is the first wide ranging appraisal of john major s government in nearly two decades this book reconsiders the role of john major as prime minister and the policy achievements of his government major s

government faced many more constraints and left behind a more enduring legacy than his critics allowed at the time or since this book and its companion volume offer a better understanding of the lessons that indian policymakers can learn from china s economic experience over the last 40 years the aim of the two books together is to evaluate china s incremental reforms and how these reforms have impacted on the chinese economy based on a classical rather than from a neoclassical perspective using a case study method in this first volume the author examines india s emergence from socialism and central planning as being in sharp contrast to china s experience and considers how we might compare the institutional difference between the countries it also covers a theoretical grounding for the comparison of the two largest populated countries in the world which will be taken up by the second volume last updated in 2001 john rentoul s acclaimed tony blair prime minister returns with an extensive new assessment of blair s premiership after 9 11 from the iraq war and relations with gordon brown to his departure from downing street and political afterlife well written thoroughly researched and informed by the balanced and subtle insights of a skilled journalist especially good on the influences that have shaped mr blair economist utterly scrupulous in presenting the information when rentoul occasionally presents his own judgements they can rarely be faulted peter oborne sunday express written with care thought and a fine understanding of political nuances ben pimlott an extraordinary achievement flashing with a peculiarly devastating form of sympathy craig brown mail on sunday with further updates this biography will almost certainly become the definitive one rachel sylvester daily telegraph a new political history of modern britain entertaining instructive and thought provoking the history of democratic politics in britain since the coming of universal male suffrage in 1918 is a dramatic one crowded with events and colourful figures as well as the great events of war and economic crises and the quieter drama of constitutional change this era has been studded with democratic protests of every sort the story opens more than 350 years ago the levellers of the 17th century 18th century radicals the chartists and the reform acts are all part of the unsteady and fiercely contested progress towards a democratic constitution dreams visions and ideals are important too of george orwell and enoch powell milton thomas paine and edmund burke churchill and lord salisbury aneurin bevan and tony benn for they have also shaped our outlook the conventional wisdom purveyed by the press and television and accepted as true by most politicians is that elections throughout the democratic world are personal clashes between individual presidential candidates and party leaders almost everyone assumes that election outcomes are frequently determined by the major candidates personal characteristics in the united states al gore in 2000 came over as aloof and arrogant and failed to win his expected victory in great britain tony blair in 2001 came across as

dynamic and personable and won a second term so personal charisma appears to yield electoral success this study by eminent scholars on both sides of the atlantic suggests that the conventional wisdom is wrong survey research conducted in recent decades indicates that relatively few voters are swayed by candidates personal characteristics far more important are voters longstanding party loyalties their views on issues and their judgments of how well or badly presidents and parties have performed or will perform in office the votes of even the few electors who are swayed by candidates personalities usually cancel each other out as a result election outcomes are seldom decided by individual candidates personal images occasionally but not often ronald reagan and bill clinton owed their election victories more to economics than to charm at the end of world war ii the charismatic winston churchill lost the 1945 british general election the colorless clement attlee won chancellor helmut kohl remained in power in germany for a generation but was never personally popular russian voters reckoned that boris yeltsin could not hold his drink but nevertheless elected him the implications of the authors analyses are profound they suggest that modern democratic politics is not nearly as candidate centered and personality oriented as is often supposed they also suggest that parties policies and their performance in office usually count for far more than the men and women they choose as their leaders not least the authors suggest that the efforts of political consultants advertising agencies and spin doctors are often misdirected as the party that championed trade union rights the creation of the nhs and the establishment of a national minimum wage labour has played an undoubtedly crucial role in the shaping of contemporary british society and yet the leaders who have stood at its helm from keir hardie to ed miliband via ramsay macdonald clement attlee and tony blair have steered the party vessel with enormously varying degrees of success with the widening of the franchise revolutionary changes to social values and the growing ubiquity of the media the requirements techniques and goals of labour leadership since the party s turn of the twentieth century inception have been forced to evolve almost beyond recognition and not all its leaders have managed to keep up this comprehensive and enlightening book considers the attributes and achievements of each leader in the context of their respective time and diplomatic landscape offering a compelling analytical framework by which they may be judged detailed personal biographies from some of the country s foremost political critics and exclusive interviews with former leaders themselves an indispensable contribution to the study of party leadership british labour leaders is the essential guide to understanding british political history and governance through the prism of those who created it after 13 years in power labour suddenly returned to being the party of opposition in 2010 this new edition of a history of the british labour party brings us up to date

examining gordon brown s period in office and the labour party under the leadership of ed miliband andrew thorpe s study has been the leading single volume text on the labour party since its first edition in 1997 and has now been thoroughly revised throughout to include new approaches this new edition covers the entirety of the party s history from 1900 to 2014 examines the reasons for the party s formation and its aims analyses the party s successes and failures including its rise to second party status and remarkable recovery from its problems in the 1980s discusses the main events and personalities of the labour party such as macdonald attlee wilson blair and brown with his approachable style and authoritative manner thorpe has created essential reading for students of political history and anyone wishing to familiarise themselves with the history and development of one of britain s major political parties

The Unfinished Revolution 1998

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Understanding Social Dynamics in South Asia 2019-02-26

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New Labour's Pasts 2016-09-17

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Westminster Tales 2001-05-21

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New Labour's Foreign Policy 2000

on 12 may 1997 the foreign secretary robin cook launched a mission statement for new labour s foreign policy this essay asks whether new labour have re orientated the path of foreign policy from that established by the conservatives

Gramsci and Global Politics 2009-03-09

this book explains and assesses the relevance of the ideas of gramsci it takes his core concepts and uses them to analyse features of present day politics and assess the extent to which his ideas can aid the understanding of the contemporary political world

Routledge Handbook of Research Methods in Military Studies 2014-06-27

this volume offers an overview of the methodologies of research in the field of military studies as an institution relying on individuals and resources provided by society the military has been studied by scholars from a wide range of disciplines political science sociology history psychology anthropology economics and administrative studies the methodological approaches in these disciplines vary from computational modelling of conflicts and surveys of military performance to the qualitative study of military stories from the battlefield and veterans experiences rapidly developing technological facilities more powerful hardware more sophisticated software digitalization of documents and pictures render the methodologies in use more dynamic than ever the routledge handbook of research methods in military studies offers a comprehensive and dynamic overview of these developments as they emerge in the many approaches to military studies the chapters in this handbook are divided over four parts starting research qualitative methods quantitative methods and finalizing a study and every chapter starts with the description of a well published study illustrating the methodological issues that will be dealt with in that particular chapter hence this handbook not only provides methodological know how but also offers a useful overview of military studies from a variety of research perspectives this handbook will be of much interest to students of military studies security and war studies civil military relations military sociology political science and research methods in general

Scotland: the Challenge of Devolution 2018-02-06

this title was first published in 2000 linking politics with culture and society this collection provides an overview of the scottish parliament and analyzes it in relation to uk european and global regionalization

The End of Parliamentary Socialism 2001-05-17

argues against the assertion that there is no alternative to neo liberalism

Futures of Socialism 2023-05-31

overhauls the history of modernisation and the british left and recasts our understanding of new labour

Lords of Parliament 2005-11-29

this work marks the first time a researcher has had largely unlimited access and every significant aspect of the upper chamber has been scrutinized the result is a unique portrait packed with the unexpected of a surprising institution which is becoming increasingly influential meticulous scholarship is combined with clarity in explanation to produce a work that helps to bridge the gap between anthropology and political science

The Struggle for Labour's Soul 2004

contributors ranging from chancellor gordon brown to the guardian newspaper s polly toybee discuss the labour party s political philosophy and address key topics like globalization constitutional reform equality and the third way

1997 2017-10-16

beautifully written brilliantly insightful owen jones tony blair and noel gallagher shaking hands at no 10 saatchi s ybas setting the international art world aflame geri halliwell in a union jack dress a time of vibrancy and optimism when the country was united by the hope of a better and brighter future so why twenty years on did that future never happen richard power sayeed takes a provocative look at this epochal year arguing that the dark undercurrents of that time had a much more enduring legacy than the marketing gimmick of cool britannia he reveals how the handling of the stephen lawrence inquiry ushered

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Culture Wars 2018-07-11

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Blair's Britain, 1997–2007 2007-09-20

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with clarity and accessibility this book represents the authoritative verdict on the impact of the blair years on british politics and society

The Persuaders 2002-05-22

the impact of political lobbyists remains highly controversial no one has explored when they matter this book tells readers when lobbyists count and analyses the relationship between lobbying policy outcomes and the impact of external factors to reveal the professional lobbyist s limited effect on policy on most policy issues lobbyists simply do not matter but on rare occasions lobbyists can make a difference and this book explains when they matter and why

Labour's Renewal? 2016-07-27

this is an important critical assessment of labour s periods of renewal and modernisation beginning with an indepth analysis of the policy review of 1987 92 the author then considers how the lessons of this period influenced the commission on social justice instigated by john smith and tony blair s reform of clause iv these events are considered as attempts to resolve traditional problems facing the labour party the abiding legacy and importance of these fundamental problems is assessed

Anyone but England 2016-12-15

anyone but england is a detailed exploration into the origins of cricket the romance cultural identity hypocrisy flaws of governance and glory of the game mike marqusee an american who fell in love with cricket when he moved to the uk in the 1970s looks at the history of elitism and empire and how race and class have always been issues in the game scrutinising the long saga of south africa s exclusion from world cricket marqusee charts england s collusion with apartheid and also details an eye opening account of pakistan s controversial ball tampering tour of england which provoked intense debate amongst cricket fans about the role of both the media and racism in the modern game showing that supporting the game does not mean you need be blind to its flaws marqusee s passion and enthusiasm for cricket is threaded through every element of anyone but england winner of the aberdare literary prize awarded by the british society of sports history 1994 shortlisted for the william hill sports book of the year award 1994

The New Social Mobility 2017-01-11

despite becoming a big issue in public debate social mobility is one of the most misunderstood processes of our time in this accessible and engaging text geoff payne one of britain s leading mobility analysts presents up to date sociological research evidence to demonstrate how our politicians have not grasped the ways in which mobility works the new social mobility argues for considering a wider range of dimensions of mobility and life chances notably the workings of the labour market to assess more accurately the causes and consequences of mobility as social and political processes bringing together a range of literature and research it covers key themes of mobility analysis and offers a critical and original approach to social mobility this important book will challenge the well established opinions of politicians pressure groups the press academics and the public it is also sufficiently comprehensive to be suitable for teaching and of interest to a broad academic audience

When I Die 2012-04-19

on 29 january 2008 philip gould was told he had cancer he was stoical and set about his treatment determined to fight his illness in the face of difficult decisions he sought always to understand the disease and the various medical options open to him supported by his wife gail and their two daughters georgia and grace in 2010 after two hard years of chemotherapy and surgery the tests came up clear philip appeared to have won the battle but his work as a key strategist for the labour party took its toll and feeling ill six months later he insisted on one extra precautionary test which told him that the cancer had returned thus began philip s long painful but ultimately optimistic journey towards death during which time he began to appreciate and make sense of his life his work and his relationships in a way he had never thought possible he realized something that he had never heard articulated before death need not be only negative or painful it can be life affirming and revelatory written during the last few months of his life when i die describes the journey philip took with his illness leaving to us what he called his lessons from the death zone this courageous profoundly moving and inspiring work is as valuable a legacy to the world as anyone could wish to bestow hugely uplifting beautifully written with extraordinary insight

Tomorrow's Politics 1998

like the immensely successful previous edition of this highly respected work this new edition has been jointly prepared and thorough updated by colin turpin and adam tomkins it takes fully into account constitutional developments under the coalition government and examines the most recent case law of the supreme court the european court of justice and the european court of human rights while it includes extensive material and commentary on contemporary constitutional practice the book covers the historical traditions and the continuity of the british constitution as well as the current tide of change designed principally for law students the book includes substantial extracts from parliamentary and other political sources as well as from legislation and case law making it ideal for politics and government students with its fresh design it provides a full yet accessible account of the british constitution at a fascinating moment in its ongoing development

British Government and the Constitution 2011-09-01

too often observers of globalization take for granted that the common ground across cultures is a thin layer of consumerism and perhaps human rights if so then anything deeper and more traditional would be placebound and probably destined for the dustbin of history but must this be so must we assume as both liberals and traditionalists now tend to do that one cannot be a cosmopolitan and take traditions seriously at the same time this book offers a radically different argument about how traditions and global citizenship can meet and suggests some important lessons for the contours of globalization in our own time adam k webb argues that if we look back before modernity we find a very different line of thinking about what it means to take the whole world as one s horizon digging into some fascinating currents of thought and practice in the ancient world the middle ages and the early modern period across all major civilizations webb is able to reveal patterns of deep cosmopolitanism with its logic quite unlike that of liberal globalization today in their more cosmopolitan moments everyone from clerics to pilgrims to empire builders was inclined to look for deep ethical parallels points of contact among civilizations and traditions once modernity swept aside the old civilizations however that promise was largely forgotten we now have an impoverished view of what it means to embrace a tradition and even what kinds of conversations across traditions are possible in part two webb draws out the lessons of deep cosmopolitanism for our own time if revived it has something to say about everything from the rise of

new non western powers like china and india and what they offer the world to religious tolerance to global civil society to cross border migration deep cosmopolis traces an alternative strand of cosmopolitan thinking that cuts across centuries and civilizations it advances a new perspective on world history and a distinctive vision of globalization for this century which has the real potential to resonate with us all

Deep Cosmopolis 2015-05-15

new labour was outwardly hostile to trade unions and their concerns yet the blair government worked closely with the tuc on several key employment reforms steve coulter analyses the dimensions of the often fractious labour union partnership and shows how the tuc pursued an insider lobbying route to influence the shape of new labour s policies

New Labour Policy, Industrial Relations and the Trade Unions 2014-11-14

timothy heppell brings together a renowned group of contributors to consider the role of the leader of the opposition in british politics the book argues that the neglect of opposition studies needs to be addressed especially given the increasing importance attached to the performance the leader of the opposition in the british political system

Leaders of the Opposition 2012-03-27

scottish devolution brought high hopes for an open political culture but how far have these been fulfilled open scotland argues that in the field of political communication the old established ways of the british state still remain firmly in place westminster and whitehall still cast long shadows over edinburgh this book offers the first full scale coverage of how media politicians and lobbyists interact in the new scotland based on their exceptional first hand access to the key players philip schlesinger david miller and william dinan have written an inside account of the struggles to establish the rules of the game for covering politics they have talked to the journalists of scotland s political media pack

who are at the heart of the new political system and who have a decisive impact on the image of the scottish parliament and government they have observed and interviewed the professional lobbyists and reveal their strategies for achieving a respectable image in scottish public life and they have analysed some of the key rows and the failures of news management inside scotland s government open scotland offers an insight to the world of lobbyists journalists and spin doctors revealing the motivations behind the news stories in scottish politics today

Open Scotland? 2019-08-07

the politics of coalition is the tale of two parties embarking on the first coalition government at westminster for over 60 years what challenges did they face in the first couple of years and how did they deal with them with the authorisation of prime minister david cameron deputy prime minister nick clegg and the then cabinet secretary sir gus o donnell the constitution unit has interviewed over 140 ministers mps lords civil servants party officials and interest groups about the coalition and the impact coalition government has had upon westminster and whitehall the politics of coalition tells how the coalition has operated in the different arenas of the british political system at the centre within the departments in parliament in the parties outside parliament and in the media it will be of interest to politicians policy makers academics students and anyone interested in how the uk coalition works in practice and not just in theory the research for the book was funded by the nuffield foundation an essential resource for anyone with an interest in the coalition its workings behind the scenes and its prospects for the future packed with facts insights and telling detail benedict brogan the telegraph the politics of coalition provides an invaluable route map to the way the conservative liberal government works and identifies important lessons to guide politicians officials and the media if no party wins an overall majority at the next election rt hon peter riddell director institute for government this book is pure gold contemporary history at its best it will fascinate those inside the coalition those who witness its developing emotional geography from parliament and the general public keen to know how what is for the british a very peculiar practice is working out lord hennessy of nympsfield attlee professor of contemporary british history queen mary university of london

The Politics of Coalition 2012-06-15

this study looks at the influence of ideas and think tanks in Britain contemplating how ideas have shaped politics and society the purveyors of ideas for change the think tanks are examined and academics and participants views are recorded in a number of interviews

Ideas and Think Tanks in Contemporary Britain 1996

this timely book is the first to address the role of credit in UK higher education it provides an overview and history of the development of credit in the UK sector and highlights how credit can be a vehicle for widening access and student choice for curricular flexibility and mobility of learning

A Brief History of Credit in UK Higher Education 2020-03-12

this resounding defence of the principles of free expression revisits the satanic verses uproar of 1989 as well as subsequent incidents such as the Danish cartoons controversy to argue that the human right of free speech is by no means so secure that it can be taken for granted

The Rushdie Fatwa and After 2014-06-05

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Ideas and Think Tanks in Contemporary Britain 2013-10-23

party conferences are central to the life of political parties they contribute to setting policy agendas developing policy options legitimizing policy choices building party cohesion motivating activists and publicizing party activities to the wider public an analysis of their evolution in Britain helps us understand the ways in which political parties change this book combines anthropological methods with

political science to analyze changing power relationships party organizations and political culture in british political parties labour conservative liberal democrats the greens

Changing Parties 2005-10-11

substantially revised and updated this textbook continues to provide the best introduction currently available on the british political party system explaining the history structure actors and policies of both the main political parties and the minor parties

The British Party System 2008-03-11

this year marks the twentieth anniversary of one of the most momentous general elections this country has ever seen john major s defeat in 1997 ended a record eighteen years of tory government prompting accusations of failure and ignominy a controversial leader major oversaw numerous crises in international and domestic policy between 1990 and 1997 he presided over britain s participations in the gulf war the start of the northern ireland peace process the maastricht treaty negotiations and famously black wednesday and britain s exit from the erm towards the end major s government was split over europe and ridden with allegations of sleaze widely criticised by the media and politicians from all parties major went on to be crushed by tony blair and new labour in the 1997 general election an unsuccessful prime minister is the first wide ranging appraisal of john major s government in nearly two decades this book reconsiders the role of john major as prime minister and the policy achievements of his government major s government faced many more constraints and left behind a more enduring legacy than his critics allowed at the time or since

John Major: An Unsuccessful Prime Minister? 2017-05-23

this book and its companion volume offer a better understanding of the lessons that indian policymakers can learn from china s economic experience over the last 40 years the aim of the two books together is to evaluate china s incremental reforms and how these reforms have impacted on the chinese economy based on a classical rather than from a neoclassical perspective using a case study method in this first volume the author examines india s emergence from socialism and central planning as being in sharp

contrast to china s experience and considers how we might compare the institutional difference between the countries it also covers a theoretical grounding for the comparison of the two largest populated countries in the world which will be taken up by the second volume

China's Lessons for India: Volume I 2017-09-04

last updated in 2001 john rentoul s acclaimed tony blair prime minister returns with an extensive new assessment of blair s premiership after 9 11 from the iraq war and relations with gordon brown to his departure from downing street and political afterlife well written thoroughly researched and informed by the balanced and subtle insights of a skilled journalist especially good on the influences that have shaped mr blair economist utterly scrupulous in presenting the information when rentoul occasionally presents his own judgements they can rarely be faulted peter oborne sunday express written with care thought and a fine understanding of political nuances ben pimlott an extraordinary achievement flashing with a peculiarly devastating form of sympathy craig brown mail on sunday with further updates this biography will almost certainly become the definitive one rachel sylvester daily telegraph

Tony Blair 2013-06-20

a new political history of modern britain entertaining instructive and thought provoking the history of democratic politics in britain since the coming of universal male suffrage in 1918 is a dramatic one crowded with events and colourful figures as well as the great events of war and economic crises and the quieter drama of constitutional change this era has been studded with democratic protests of every sort the story opens more than 350 years ago the levellers of the 17th century 18th century radicals the chartists and the reform acts are all part of the unsteady and fiercely contested progress towards a democratic constitution dreams visions and ideals are important too of george orwell and enoch powell milton thomas paine and edmund burke churchill and lord salisbury aneurin bevan and tony benn for they have also shaped our outlook

Britain Since 1918 2010-12-30

the conventional wisdom purveyed by the press and television and accepted as true by most politicians is that elections throughout the democratic world are personal clashes between individual presidential candidates and party leaders almost everyone assumes that election outcomes are frequently determined by the major candidates personal characteristics in the united states al gore in 2000 came over as aloof and arrogant and failed to win his expected victory in great britain tony blair in 2001 came across as dynamic and personable and won a second term so personal charisma appears to yield electoral success this study by eminent scholars on both sides of the atlantic suggests that the conventional wisdom is wrong survey research conducted in recent decades indicates that relatively few voters are swayed by candidates personal characteristics far more important are voters longstanding party loyalties their views on issues and their judgments of how well or badly presidents and parties have performed or will perform in office the votes of even the few electors who are swayed by candidates personalities usually cancel each other out as a result election outcomes are seldom decided by individual candidates personal images occasionally but not often ronald reagan and bill clinton owed their election victories more to economics than to charm at the end of world war ii the charismatic winston churchill lost the 1945 british general election the colorless clement attlee won chancellor helmut kohl remained in power in germany for a generation but was never personally popular russian voters reckoned that boris yeltsin could not hold his drink but nevertheless elected him the implications of the authors analyses are profound they suggest that modern democratic politics is not nearly as candidate centered and personality oriented as is often supposed they also suggest that parties policies and their performance in office usually count for far more than the men and women they choose as their leaders not least the authors suggest that the efforts of political consultants advertising agencies and spin doctors are often misdirected

Leaders' Personalities and the Outcomes of Democratic Elections 2002-03-21

as the party that championed trade union rights the creation of the nhs and the establishment of a national minimum wage labour has played an undoubtedly crucial role in the shaping of contemporary

british society and yet the leaders who have stood at its helm from keir hardie to ed miliband via ramsay macdonald clement attlee and tony blair have steered the party vessel with enormously varying degrees of success with the widening of the franchise revolutionary changes to social values and the growing ubiquity of the media the requirements techniques and goals of labour leadership since the party's turn of the twentieth century inception have been forced to evolve almost beyond recognition and not all its leaders have managed to keep up this comprehensive and enlightening book considers the attributes and achievements of each leader in the context of their respective time and diplomatic landscape offering a compelling analytical framework by which they may be judged detailed personal biographies from some of the country's foremost political critics and exclusive interviews with former leaders themselves an indispensable contribution to the study of party leadership british labour leaders is the essential guide to understanding british political history and governance through the prism of those who created it

British Labour Leaders 2015-08-08

after 13 years in power labour suddenly returned to being the party of opposition in 2010 this new edition of a history of the british labour party brings us up to date examining gordon brown's period in office and the labour party under the leadership of ed miliband andrew thorpe's study has been the leading single volume text on the labour party since its first edition in 1997 and has now been thoroughly revised throughout to include new approaches this new edition covers the entirety of the party's history from 1900 to 2014 examines the reasons for the party's formation and its aims analyses the party's successes and failures including its rise to second party status and remarkable recovery from its problems in the 1980s discusses the main events and personalities of the labour party such as macdonald attlee wilson blair and brown with his approachable style and authoritative manner thorpe has created essential reading for students of political history and anyone wishing to familiarise themselves with the history and development of one of britain's major political parties

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