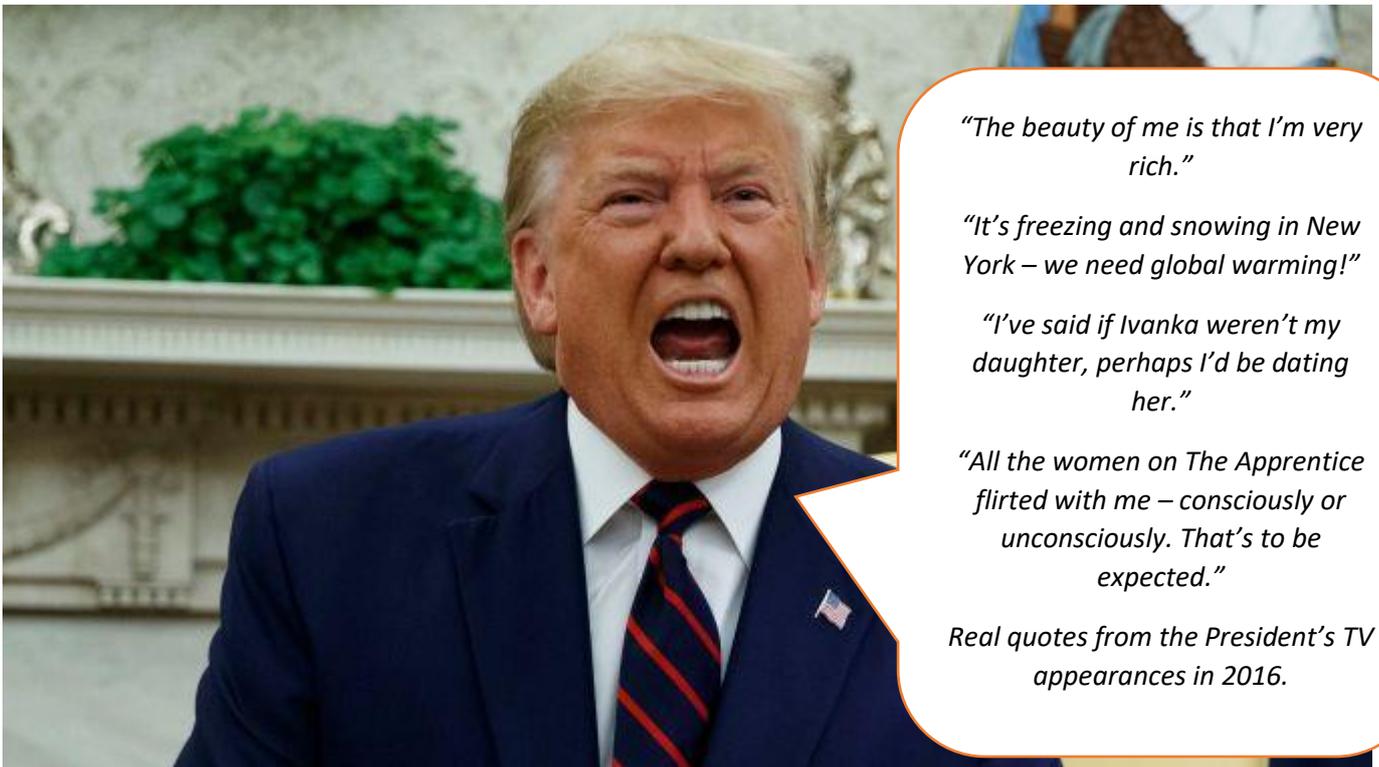




A Level Politics Year 11 Bridging the Gap 2



“The beauty of me is that I’m very rich.”

“It’s freezing and snowing in New York – we need global warming!”

“I’ve said if Ivanka weren’t my daughter, perhaps I’d be dating her.”

“All the women on The Apprentice flirted with me – consciously or unconsciously. That’s to be expected.”

Real quotes from the President’s TV appearances in 2016.

Welcome, year 11! This is your second ‘Bridging the Gap’ task for A level Politics, which you’ve chosen to take at A level this September. The pack is designed to give you a flavour of what A level Politics is all about. The pack will be an independent research project.

A Level course outline		
Year 12: UK Politics	Year 12-13: Ideologies	Year 13: US Politics
UK Constitution, Parliament & Prime Minister	Liberalism	US Constitution, Congress & Presidency
UK Democracy	Conservatism	US Democracy
UK Parties	Socialism	US Parties
UK Elections & Voting	Nationalism	US Elections & Voting

USA Research Task:

Your research task is to choose one of the following parties: Republican Party or Democratic Party.

You need to research the history of the party, their ideology and policy beliefs (including their most recent election platform), their electoral performance (Is the current President from that party? Do they have a majority in Congress? How well did they do at the last elections (Nov 2016 for the President and Nov 2018 for Congress?)) and finally key figures in that party (include photos and descriptions of who they are). This should be about one A4 page of typed work. You need to turn this into some sort of leaflet/flyer about that party including pictures, not just a set of notes.

Wikipedia is an excellent resource for this task (as a general rule, you shouldn't rely on Wikipedia – but it IS a really good source of useful information!) but you should use more than one source to complete this work.

Ideologies: Feminism

As well as looking at the politics of the UK and USA we also look at political ideologies including conservatism, liberalism, socialism and feminism. To introduce you to one of these ideologies I would like you to explore the role of feminism today. Type or write up your thoughts on a separate piece of paper.

Firstly head to <https://www.fawcettsociety.org.uk/> which is a moderate liberal feminist organisation. Have a look at some of the campaigns they are working on.

Then head to <http://www.radfemcollective.org/> which as the title suggests is a radical feminist group. What is radical feminism? What campaigns have they been involved in?

I also want you to consider your own views on feminism. Are you a feminist? Do you see a place for feminism today in our country? Or just abroad? Why do people shy away from saying they are feminists?