

Political Science Class IX

Unit 3: Democratic Politics – I	50 Periods
Themes	Learning Objectives
1. What is Democracy? Why Democracy?	Develop conceptual skills of defining
 What is Democracy? 	democracy. • Understand how different
 Features of Democracy 	historical processes and forces have promoted
Why Democracy?	democracy.
 Broader Meanings of Democracy 	• Develop a sophisticated defense of democracy against common prejudices.
	• Develop a historical sense of the choice and
	nature of democracy in India.
2. Constitutional Design:	
 Democratic Constitution in South Africa 	 Understand the process of Constitution
 Why do we need a constitution? 	making. • Develop respect for the Constitution
Making of the Indian Constitution	and appreciation for Constitutional values.
Guiding Values of the Indian Constitution	• Recognize Constitution as a dynamic and living document. K
3. Electoral Politics:	
• Why Elections?	00
• What is our System of Elections?	 Understand representative democracy via
• What makes elections in India democratic?	competitive party politics.
	• Familiarize with Indian electoral system.
	• Reason out for the adoption of present Indian
	Electoral System.
	• Develop an appreciation of citizen's increased participation in electoral politics.
	 Recognize the significance of the Election
	Commission
4. Working of Institutions:	
• How is the major policy decision taken?	• Get an overview of central governmental
• Parliament	structures.
Political Executive	 Identify the role of Parliament and its
• The Judiciary	procedures.
	• Distinguish between political and permanent
	executive authorities and functions.
	• Understand the parliamentary system of
	executive's accountability to the legislature.
	 Understand the working of Indian Judiciary.
5. Democratic Rights:	



Life without Rights	• Recognize the need for rights in one's life.
Rights in a Democracy	 Understand the availability /access of rights in
 Rights in the Indian Constitution 	a democratic system/government.
• Expanding scope of rights	 Identify and be able to comprehend the
	Fundamental Rights given by the Indian
	Constitution to its citizens.
	 Create awareness regarding the process of
	safeguarding rights.



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