**National 5 Knowledge Questions**

Democracy in Scotland

2016 National 5

1. Describe, in detail, two ways political parties campaign in Scottish Parliament Elections (4 marks)
2. Explain, in detail, the advantages of the Additional Members System (AMS). You should give a maximum of three advantages in your answer. (8 marks)

2015 National 5

1. Describe, in detail, two services provided by local councils in Scotland. (4 marks)
2. Explain, in detail, why some people participate in one of the following:
	* Pressure groups
	* Trade Unions
	* The Media (6 marks)

2014 National 5

1. Describe, in detail, the devolved powers of the Scottish Parliament. (6 marks)
2. Explain, in detail, why many people in Scotland choose to vote in elections. (6 marks)

2015 Intermediate 2

1. Describe, in detail, the ways in which the Scottish Parliament can influence the Scottish Government. (6 marks)
2. Explain, in detail, why some methods used by pressure groups are effective. (6 marks)

Other Possible Questions

1. Explain, in detail, how MSPs find out about constituents’ problems. (6 marks)
2. Describe, in detail, what MSPs do in Scottish Parliament to represent their constituents. (6 marks)
3. Describe, in detail, how councillors attempt to resolve constituents’ problems. (4 marks)
4. Explain, in detail, why some people choose to and choose not to vote. (6 marks)
5. Describe, in detail, how First Past the Post operates. (4 marks)
6. Explain, in detail, how pressure groups try to influence the government. (8 marks)
7. Describe, in detail, the role of the First Minister. (4 marks)
8. Describe, in detail, the political rights and responsibilities of Scottish citizens. (6 marks)