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Diese Unterrichtseinheit bietet einen kompakten Überblick über Boris Johnsons Amtszeit als Premierminister, seinen Aufstieg und Fall. Welche Folgen hat seine Regierungszeit auf die britische Politik und das Vertrauen der Bevölkerung in Politiker/-innen? Die Schülerinnen und Schüler setzen sich zunächst anhand eines Videos sowie zweier Artikel aus *The Guardian* mit Boris Johnson, seiner Politik und Wahrnehmung in der Öffentlichkeit auseinander. Abschließend erhalten die Lernenden einen kurzen Einblick in die Amtszeit der Nachfolgerin Johnsons, Premierministerin Liz Truss.

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Competences and skills:

In this unit, students' **viewing** and **listening comprehension** skills are trained when working with two videos. They also improve their **reading** and **analysing competences** by working with two articles from *The Guardian*. Furthermore, students produce written texts (summaries, comments) and, thus, enhance their **writing skills**. By holding short presentations and engaging in discussions, students also improve their **speaking skills**.

Overview:

List of abbreviations:

| | | | | | |
|-----------|-----------------|-----------|-----------------------|-----------|------------------------|
| C | Comment | D | Discussion/debate | GF | Gap filling |
| MC | Multiple choice | PR | Presentation | R | Research |
| S | Summary | T | Working with the text | VI | Working with the video |

| Topic | Material | Methods/Skills |
|---------------------------------------|----------|----------------|
| 1: The rise and fall of Boris Johnson | M1 | GF, MC, S, VI |
| 2: Johnson's baleful legacy | M2–M3 | C, PR, R, T |
| 3: The lessons from Johnson's tenure | M4–M5 | C, D, PR, R, T |
| 4: Johnson's successor – Liz Truss | M6 | D, MC, VI |

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Facts

When David Cameron held the Brexit referendum, it resulted in a polarised Britain and an open door for an ambitious populist to achieve his goal – to become Prime Minister. “A leopard never changes its spots” is a well-known proverb and suitably describes Boris Johnson. Before becoming the leader of the government, he was already being generous with the truth. Going against his Conservative Party’s “remain” stance regarding the Brexit referendum, he campaigned for “leave” with powerful “Get Brexit Done” slogans, promises that he could never keep and misleading information designed to win favour with the electorate. It worked. And when Theresa May took over the premiership from Cameron, Johnson was continually critical of her Brexit approach proclaiming he could get it done with a ready-made agreement.

Johnson’s charismatic personality endeared him to his party and the public and so he became Prime Minister. The lies, scandals and political mismanagement characterising Johnson’s time in office have left British politics reeling.

Notes on the material

How did the UK end up with Boris Johnson running the country? The video in **topic 1** provides an answer to this, showing how Boris Johnson rose to power and how his downfall came about.

Note: The video in M1 has been divided into two sections: the rise of Boris Johnson and his downfall. The teacher can decide whether the class should look at both sections or only one of them. If it is decided to do both sections, tasks 2 and 4 can be united into one task: an analytical summary of Johnson’s rise and downfall in 500 words.

Johnson’s legacy is food for the media: *The Observer*’s view of this can be read in **topic 2** where students express their own opinions about political conduct and research particular aspects relevant to the understanding of Johnson’s demise and associated problems. Boris

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