

### **Activity 3 - Looking Ahead**

Politics in the UK is changing very rapidly, and it is difficult to predict what the political landscape will look like a year from now, let alone five, ten or twenty years in the future. However, we can try and think about the implications of the trends we have identified.

#### **Task 1**

Have a read of this article by Professor David Runciman of the University of Cambridge:

<https://www.theguardian.com/politics/2016/oct/05/trump-brexit-education-gap-tearing-politics-apart>

1. Why does Runciman think the emergence of the 'education gap' is a significant development in British politics?
2. Why does education matter more now than in the past?
3. Why does Runciman think this development is dangerous for democratic politics?
4. Do you agree that the 'education gap' poses a 'toxic' danger to representative democracy?