

‘The Iron Lady’ Video (UKtv History)

While watching the video, find information to illustrate the following points and answer the following questions:

- 1) Why are there two opinions on the Thatcher years (either ‘a revolution of ideas that turned the country’s fortunes around’ or ‘an age in which social divisions became entrenched: the rich benefited from her policies, the poor were left behind’)?
- 2) Thatcher said: ‘Opportunity means nothing, unless it includes an opportunity to be unequal’. Comment.
- 3) Find information in the video about the centralist, consensus politics of Edward Heath vs the free-market ideas of Margaret Thatcher (MT) and the New Right.
- 4) Find information in the video about: MT and Enoch Powell; MT and Keith Joseph;
- 5) MT and the IRA
- 6) The Miners and British politics; MT and the Miners
- 7) Heath-style moderates: the ‘wets’. Explain.
- 8) The ‘Labour isn’t working’ campaign: its nature and effects
- 9) Find information in the video on: MT and Reagan
- 10) MT’s third term: the Conservative leader as a ‘liability’
- 11) Find information in the video on: MT and Geoffrey Howe; MT and Michael Heseltine; MT and John Major