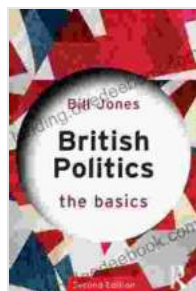


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- **The legislature** is responsible for making laws. It is made up of two houses: the House of Commons and the House of Lords. The House of Commons is the more powerful of the two houses and is elected by the people. The House of Lords is made up of appointed members and is less powerful than the House of Commons.
- **The executive** is responsible for carrying out the laws. It is headed by the Prime Minister, who is appointed by the Queen. The Prime Minister is the head of government and is responsible for appointing the other members of the executive, including the cabinet.
- **The judiciary** is responsible for interpreting the laws. It is made up of judges who are appointed by the Queen. The judiciary is independent of the other two branches of government.

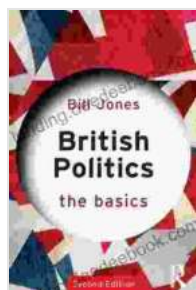
The British electoral system is based on the principle of first-past-the-post. This means that the candidate who receives the most votes in a constituency wins the seat. There are 650 constituencies in the United Kingdom.

The electoral system is designed to produce a stable government. This is because the party that wins the most seats in the House of Commons is usually able to form a majority government.

There are two main political parties in the United Kingdom: the Conservative Party and the Labour Party. The Conservative Party is the center-right party and the Labour Party is the center-left party.

Other political parties in the United Kingdom include the Liberal Democrats, the Scottish National Party, the Plaid Cymru, and the Green Party.

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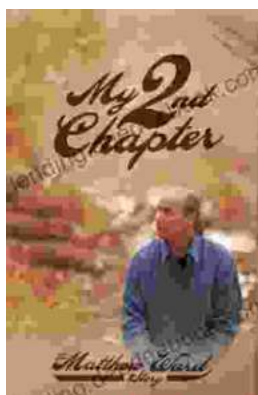


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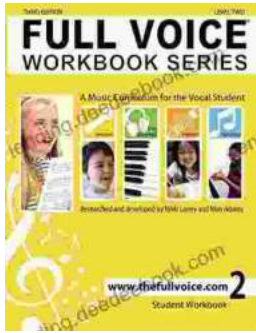
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