

## The Big Question:

### WHAT WERE THE ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE LIBERAL WELFARE REFORMS 1906-14?

It is early in 1914. You work for the government as a researcher and speechwriter. Your boss is the Chancellor of the Exchequer, David Lloyd George. He is not happy. That means you are not happy.

- Since 1906 the government has introduced welfare reforms to help children, old people, unemployed and sick people.
- Lloyd George has introduced the most radical Budget the country has ever seen to pay for the reforms.
- Despite all this, people are criticising him and the Liberals.

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#### PREPARE A SPEECH:

Lloyd George wants to make a speech that will shut all the critics up. That's where you come in. You have to research and help him write his speech. You will need to prepare three files:

- An **Achievements File**, which sets out evidence of what the Liberal reforms have achieved
- An **Attack File**, which sets out evidence that people should not listen to the critics of the Liberals
- An **Awkward File**, which sets out the areas where things have not gone well or need further work

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You could use this format to gather together the points for each file and then present your views to Lloyd George. There are some Word files, with the table already in, that you can use. You can add extra sources and evidence by simply adding rows to the table.

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