

What's happening in the news?



Let's have a look at the poster

A new government



**What change will a
new government
bring?**



Let's look at the story



The Labour Party have won the 2024 general election, with Sir Keir Starmer becoming the next Prime Minister of the UK. The Conservative Party have lost power for the first time in 14 years.

Sir Keir Starmer has said he's, "ready to serve our country, ready to restore Britain to the service of working people." Rishi Sunak has said he accepts responsibility for the Conservative Party's defeat, telling supporters, "The British people have delivered a sobering verdict tonight, there is much to learn ... and I take responsibility for the loss."

Learn more about this story [here](#).

Watch the useful video [here](#).



Read through the information found below, which shares more about the changes that the new government would like to make.

What are some of the big changes the Labour Party hope to create?

1. Reduce doctor and hospital appointment waiting times, with 40,000 more evening and weekend appointments each week.
2. Set up Great British Energy, a power company owned by everyone, to lower bills for good.
3. Reduce crime in neighbourhoods, so people feel safer with more police and a new network of youth clubs.
4. Hire 6,500 new teachers in key subjects, to support children for life, work, and the future.
5. Launch a new Border Security Command, so people coming in and out of the UK are safer.



What happens when the government changes?

1. First, the current Prime Minister Rishi Sunak (leader of the Conservative Party) leaves 10 Downing Street.
2. Next, he goes to Buckingham Palace, where he tells King Charles III he's stepping down as prime minister.
3. The King will also meet with Sir Keir Starmer (leader of the Labour Party) where he will formally be appointed as the new Prime Minister and asked to form a government.

Pictured above: 10 Downing Street, the home of the Prime Minister.

Source: Peter Meade.



Main question

What change will a new government bring?

 **Listen**  **Think**  **Share**

- Look at the poster image and share your response to the news of a new government.
- Read through the information found on the resource, which shares more about the changes that they hope to make.
- Thinking about your own class and school, can you think of times when there have been big changes? This could be the rules you follow, or who teaches you. What happened during and after the changes were made?
- Some people like change and the difference it brings. Talk about how you feel about change. Do you think change is always a good thing?
- Watch the useful video, which explains more about the role of Prime Minister. Share your thoughts on the responsibilities the role has. Is it a role you think you would enjoy?

Useful Weblinks

- > **News story:**
<https://news.sky.com/story/the-labour-party-has-won-this-general-election-sunak-concedes-defeat-13162921>
- > **Useful video:**
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/videos/c511rgx71y3o>

