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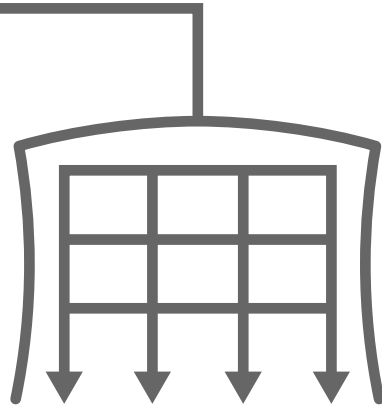
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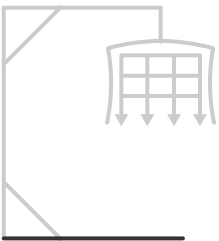
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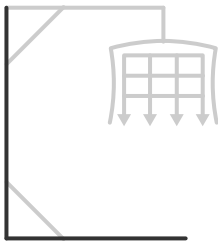
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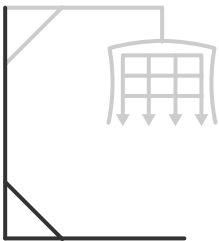
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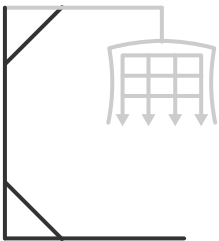
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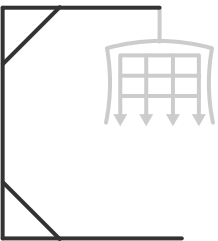
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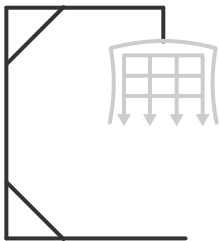
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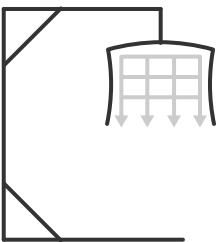
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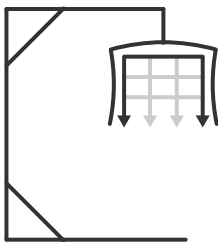
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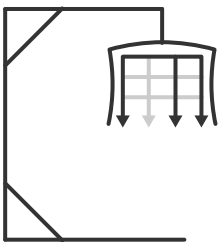
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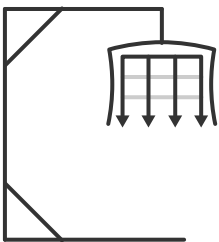
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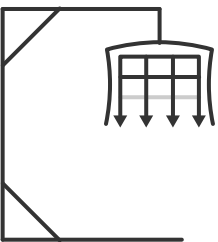
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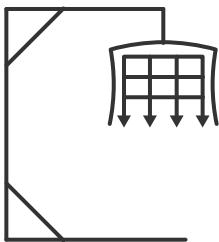
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the UK

Kingmaker

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Shock  
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Tony Blair



Gordon Brown



Peter  
Mandelson



John Prescott



Alistair Darling



Tessa Jowell



Jack Straw



Ed Balls



David Miliband



Neil Kinnock

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Menzies  
Campbell



Lembit Opik



Charles  
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Nick Clegg



Paddy  
Ashdown



Michael Martin



John Bercow



Alex Salmond



Ian Paisley



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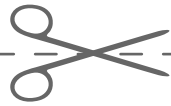
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Margaret  
Thatcher



John Major



David Cameron



George  
Osborne



Ken Clarke



William Hague



Iain  
Duncan-Smith



Michael  
Howard



Theresa May



Boris Johnson

# Gordon Brown Labour

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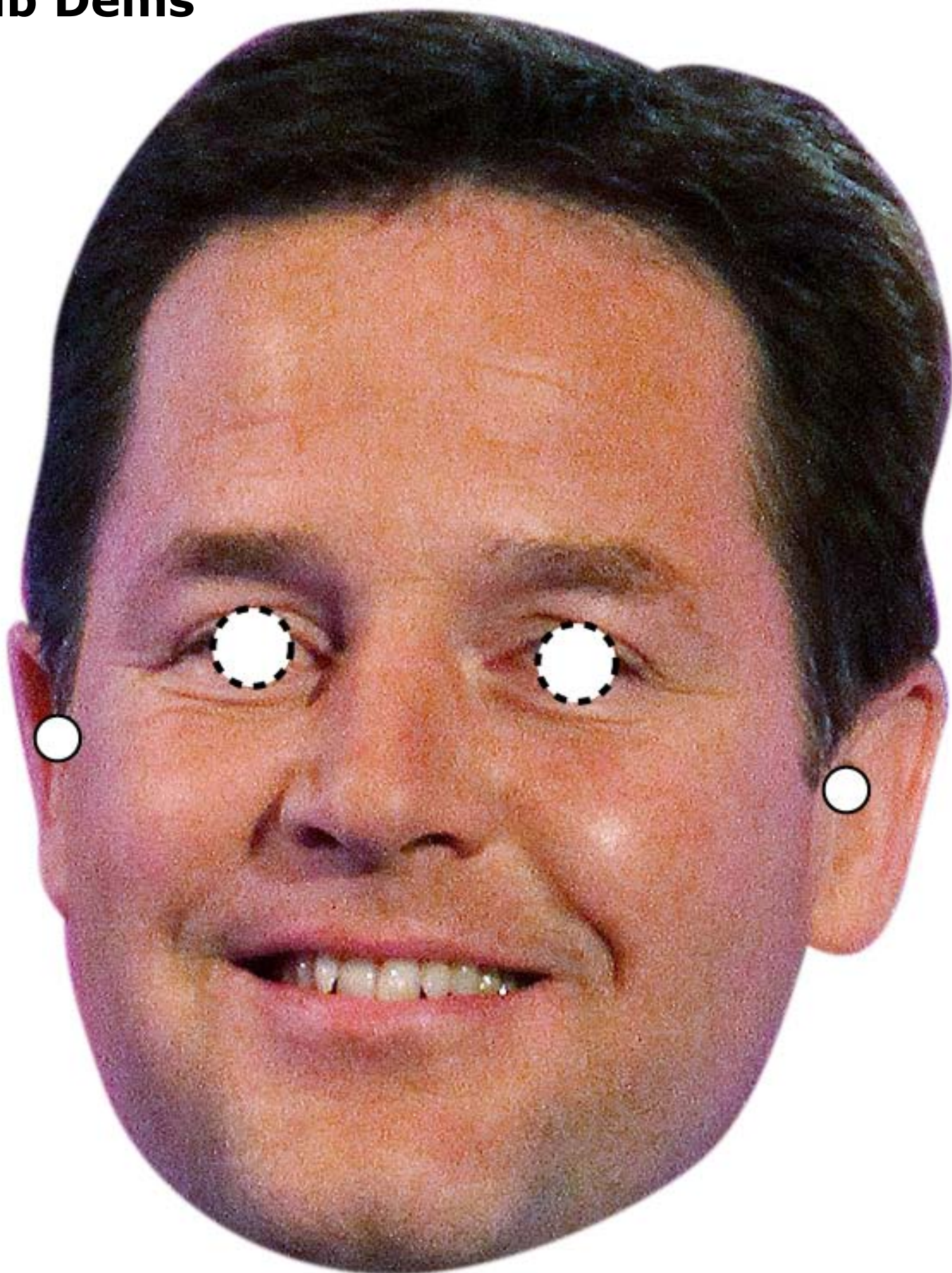
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# Nick Clegg

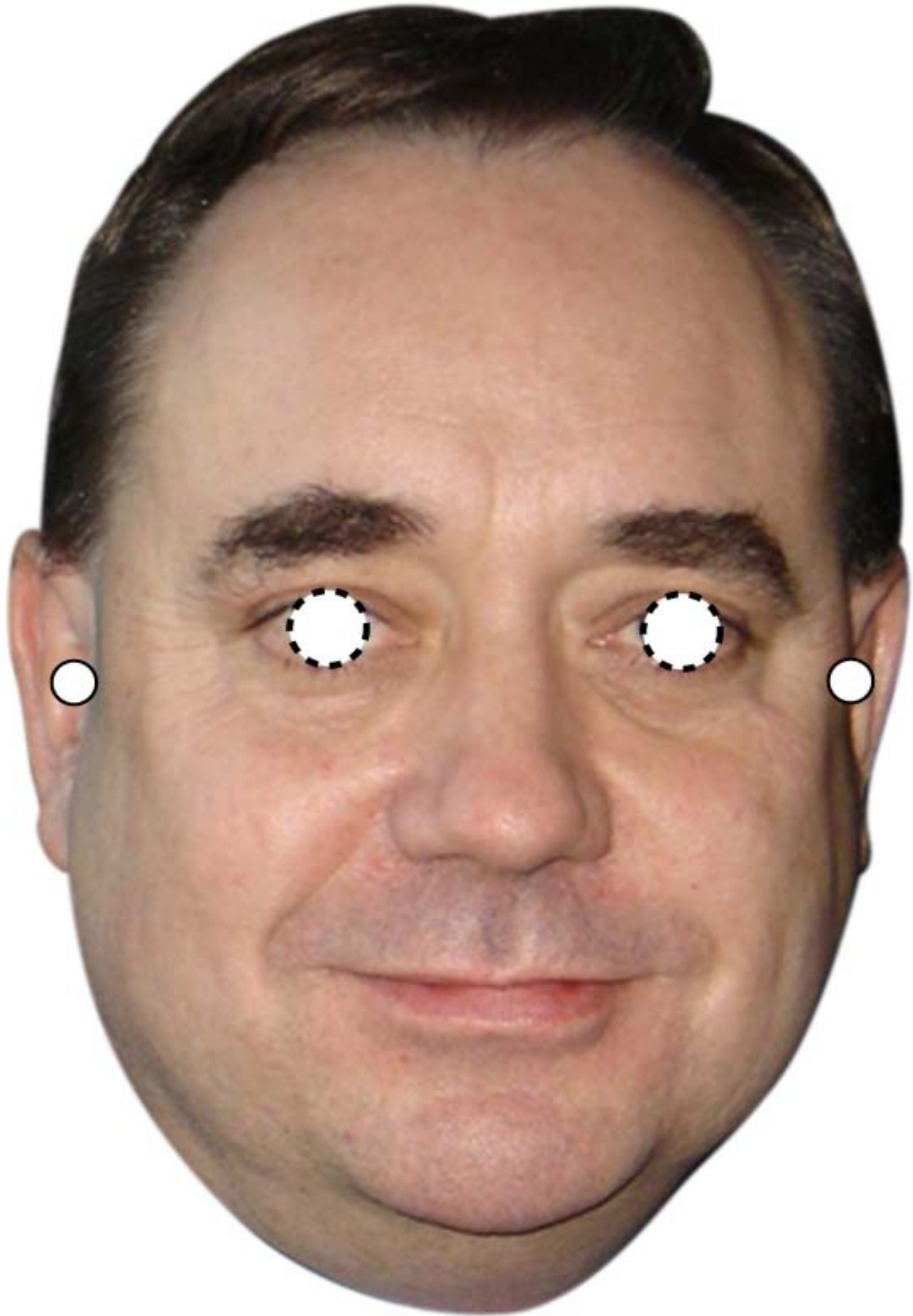
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**Alex Salmond**  
**SNP**

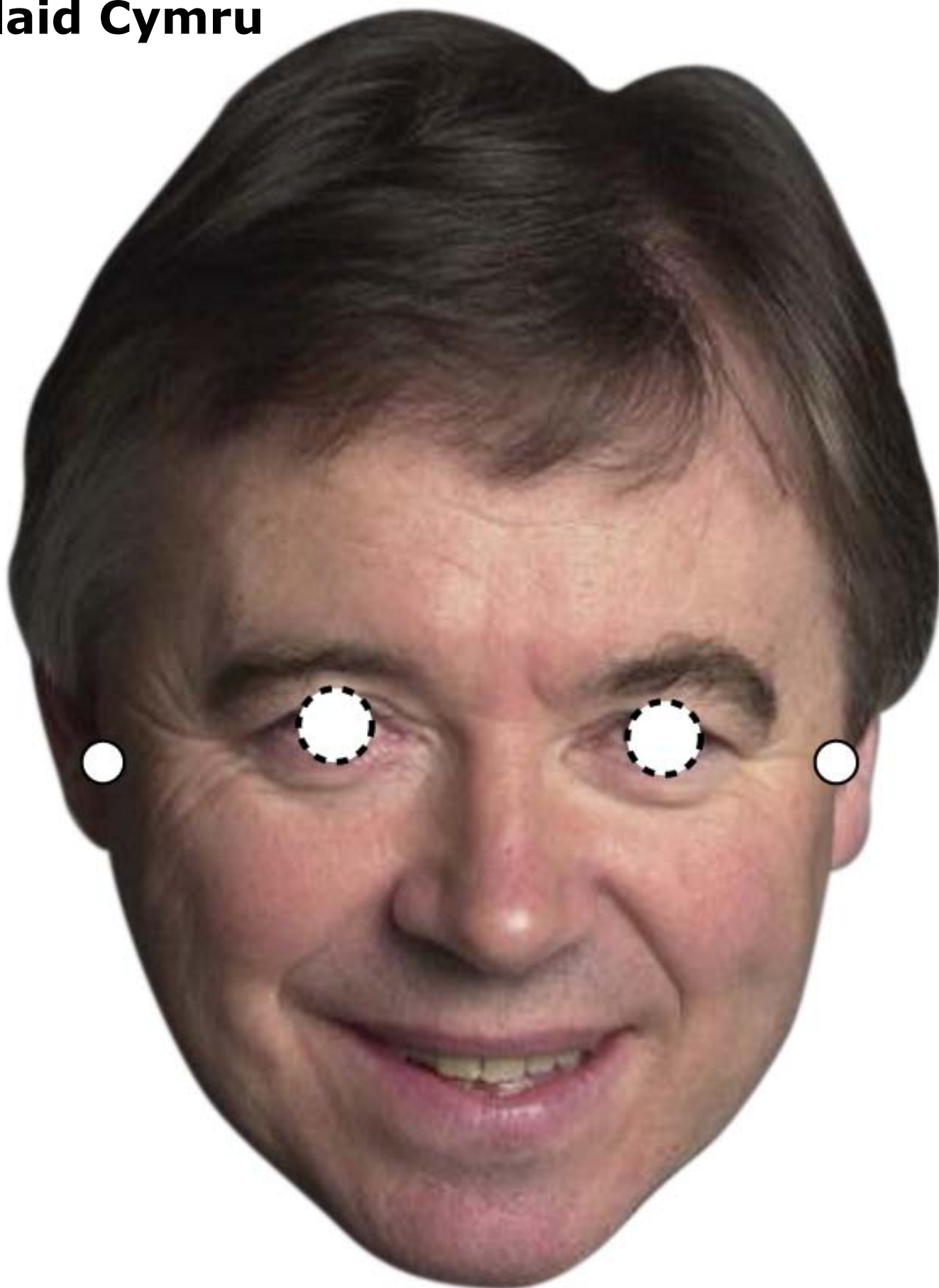
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# **Ieuan Wyn Jones**

## **Plaid Cymru**

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1. There are about 42,000 polling stations across the UK.
2. Sunderland South, the constituency which prided itself on being first to declare a result, is no more, following boundary changes.
3. This is the first time a general election and elections for the London boroughs have been held on the same day.
4. It is also the first time, since 1979, that none of the three main party leaders has headed a previous general election campaign.
5. In the past three general elections, more seats declared between 2am and 3am than any other hour of the night.
6. The constituency of Thirsk and Malton will not be contested until 27 May, due to the death of the UKIP's candidate John Boakes, a fortnight ago.
7. There will be a lot of new faces in the new Parliament - 149 MPs decided to retire at this election, more than at any election since 1945.
8. The convention that the seat belonging to the Speaker of the House is uncontested has been broken by UKIP's Nigel Farage who is standing against Speaker John Bercow.
9. The Tories need a swing of 6.9% from Labour to win an overall majority - greater than that in any election since 1950, except Tony Blair's 1997 victory.
10. In the unlikely event of a tie in any seat, the winner will be decided by drawing lots.

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## 1. HUNG PARLIAMENT

Based on that perennial family favourite, hangman, players simply swap the traditional dangling stick man for a portcullis, the symbol of the Westminster Parliament.  
(Requires two players or more)

- Think of a word or phrase and mark out blank spaces to denote how many letters it contains
- Invite your opponent to suggest one letter at a time
- If it features in the word, fill in the appropriate blank(s)
- If it doesn't, begin constructing your gallows and portcullis symbol, one stroke at a time, as illustrated
- The winner is whoever completes the word or the pictogram first

## 2. BINGO

Keep track of all those words and phrases you can expect to hear on the night.  
(Requires at least one player)

- Distribute bingo cards among your guests
- Tick off the words and phrases as you hear them on television/radio
- The winner is the first to clear their card and shout "Full House (of, er, Commons)"

## 3. THE NAME GAME

How well do you know the political characters of the era? (Requires four players or more)

- The game is played in teams of at least two players - a describer and a guesser
- From the grid of named politicians, cut out each and fold them up
- Place all the names in an appropriate receptacle (a mock ballot box if you have one, a hat or bowl if you don't)
- The describer picks out a name at a time and attempts to describe it to their guesser without saying the name itself
- After a correct guess, they pick out another name, and so on
- After a minute, the hat is passed to the next team
- The winning team is the one which guesses the most names
- For even more fun, fold them all up again and describe each with just one word, and finally with no words - just actions

## 4. LEADERS' MASKS

Ever wanted to fool/scare your friends and family into thinking they're talking to a political titan? (Requires... scissors and elastic)

- Cut out any of the masks, including the eyes
- Attach a piece of elastic or string to each and hey presto, you can instantly channel the personality of a party leader

## 5. 10 THINGS

It's not just TV anchormen who can wow others by lobbing in a factlet or two... you can as well.  
(Requires forgiving friends)

- Place the 10 things crib sheet in a discreet place where you can still see it
- Sprinkle a fact or two in the conversation at appropriate juncture and hear the assembled company gasp in admiration