Second English exam

Liberalism

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As one of the two great philosophical products of the European Enlightenment, liberalism has had a profound **impact** on **the shape** of all modern industrial **societies**. It has championed **limited government** and scientific **rationality**, believing **individuals** should be **free** from arbitrary state <u>power</u>, persecution and superstition. It has advocated political freedom, **democracy** and constitutionally guaranteed rights, and privileged the liberty of the individual and **equality** before **the law**. Liberalism has also argued for individual competition in **civil** society and claimed that market capitalism best **promotes the welfare** of all by most efficiently allocating scarce resources within society. To **the extent** that its ideas have been realized in recent democratic transitions in both hemispheres and manifested in the globalization of the world economy, liberalism remains a powerful and influential doctrine.

1. Translate the underlined words into English.

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2.Compose a politically-focused written passage:

Write a paragraph in your own style on politics