

“Yes, Minister” questions

- 1) Can ministers know everything about their department?

- 2) What other interests might a minister have apart from his department?

- 3) Civil servants are supposed to be impartial, neutral and anonymous. Does Sir Humphrey share these characteristics?

- 4) What powers do the civil service have?

- 5) Who has more power in running the department, the civil service or the minister? Why?

- 6) How realistic do you think this portrayal is?