

Funding the Future

Will the next Tory PM be the last ever?

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I had just written my [first post of the day](#) (after over-sleeping) when I read a thread from Russ Jones, who has just written a book called 'A decade in Tory'. His analysis is worth sharing:

**Russ Jones**
@RussInCheshire

The problem - and I use the word entirely incorrectly - is that there's no such thing as The Conservative Party.

There are five, each with massively different goals and ideals, artificially crammed together because of the FPTP system.

And this weird hybrid is disintegrating. 📖

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The Tories are

1. One Nation Conservatives, who would be recognisable to Ken Clark, and are - at the margins - interchangeable with some Lib Dems. Mercer. Wallace
2. Xenophobic English nationalists, basically UKIP, obsessed with immigration and sovereignty, eg Braverman, Patel

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3. Wild-eyed libertarians who believe in the Sovereign Individual, and all the madness Liz Truss just unleashed. Drax. Raab. Kwarteng.
4. Scatty populist bullshitters, who say and do anything to remain in power but have no plan or ideals - Johnson, Dorries and that sordid crew

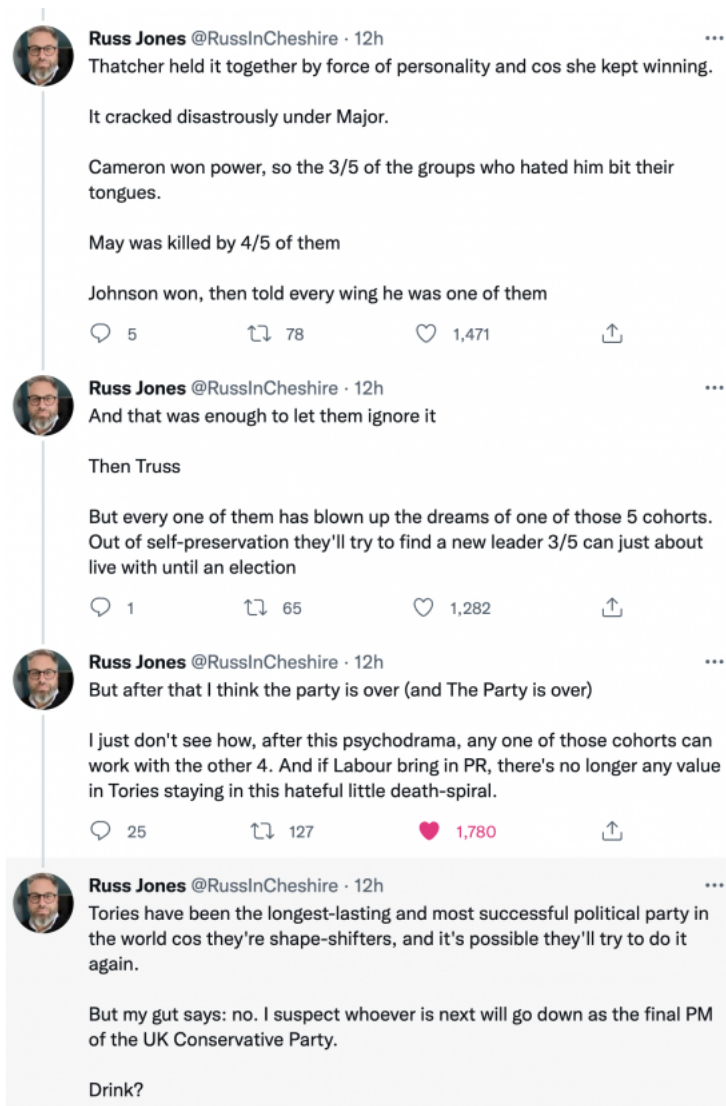
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5. Machine politicians attempting to hold all this together for no reason better than: they have nothing else in their lives, except for a psychotic belief that they alone deserve to rule. Gove or May, essentially

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As he then suggested:



That seems like a good analysis to me.

I have little to add, except to differ explanation as to the cause of this, which was in [my first post of the day](#).