

## Government Quiz

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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Read all questions carefully. Each question filled in correctly is worth one mark. Good luck.

1. A/An \_\_\_\_\_ is a system of government in which power is retained by all citizens, usually through elected representatives.
2. The Queen is Canada's head of state and is represented at the federal level by the \_\_\_\_\_.
3. One must be \_\_\_\_\_ years old to vote in Canadian federal elections.
4. The right to vote comes with the \_\_\_\_\_ to cast a ballot and make an informed decision.
5. The elected representative at the federal level is called a/an \_\_\_\_\_.
6. The House of Commons meets in \_\_\_\_\_ (*city*).
7. Political parties on the \_\_\_\_\_ side of the political spectrum generally advocate for smaller government and lower taxes.
8. A person running in an election but not associated with a political party is known as a/an \_\_\_\_\_.
9. The party with the most seats usually forms the government. At the federal level, the leader of that party becomes the \_\_\_\_\_.
10. A/An \_\_\_\_\_ is a geographical area represented by an elected official.
11. The process of voting by \_\_\_\_\_ ballot means that a person's vote is private.
12. Canada's electoral system is called \_\_\_\_\_.
13. The \_\_\_\_\_ Party formed government after the 2011 federal election.
14. A party needs to win \_\_\_\_\_ seats to form a majority government in the 2015 federal election (*number*).
15. The name of my school's riding is \_\_\_\_\_.

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1. A democracy is a system of government in which power is retained by all citizens, usually through elected representatives.
2. The Queen is Canada's head of state and is represented at the federal level by the governor general.
3. One must be 18 years old to vote in Canadian federal elections.
4. The right to vote comes with the responsibility to cast a ballot and make an informed decision.
5. The elected representative at the federal level is called a Member of Parliament.
6. The House of Commons meets in Ottawa.
7. Political parties on the right side of the political spectrum generally advocate for smaller government and lower taxes.
8. A person running in an election but not associated with a political party is known as an independent.
9. The party with the most seats usually forms the government. At the federal level, the leader of that party becomes the prime minister.
10. A riding is a geographical area represented by an elected official.
11. The process of voting by secret ballot means that a person's vote is private.
12. Canada's electoral system is called First-Past-The-Post (or 'Single-Member Plurality').
13. The Conservative Party formed government after the 2011 federal election.
14. A party needs to win 170 seats to form a majority government in the 2015 federal election.
15. The name of my school's riding is (answers may vary).