ALASKA UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT · UNIT 1 · 5 QUESTIONS

Foundations and the Constitution — Practice Test

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1 **Small silver electric motor with cooling fins and power cable on a wooden workbench, large in frame. A government in which a small group holds power is called an**



A oligarchy

B democracy

C republic

D confederation

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2 **In a direct democracy, citizens**

A elect representatives to vote for them

B vote directly on laws and policies

C are ruled by a hereditary monarch

D have no role in government

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3 **The social contract theory teaches that government exists by an agreement between**

A two foreign nations

B the courts and the military

C church and state

D the people and their rulers

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4 **Which document first limited the power of the English king and protected certain rights of free men in 1215?**

- A Magna Carta
- B English Bill of Rights
- C Mayflower Compact
- D Petition of Right

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5 **The Mayflower Compact is an early American example of**

- A rule by a hereditary king
- B government by agreement of the governed
- C federal taxation
- D judicial review

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ANSWER KEY

1. A
2. B
3. D
4. A
5. B

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