Role of Government and the Electoral Process — Practice Test

Prince Edward Island Introductory Politics 11 • 25 questions

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1 **In Canadian politics, which term names a system in which citizens choose their leaders by voting in free elections**

- A democracy
- B riding
- C ballot
- D campaign

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2 **In Canadian politics, which term names an electoral district that elects one representative**

A ballot

B riding

C campaign

D majority government

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3 **In Canadian politics, which term names the paper or form on which a voter marks a choice in an election**

A campaign

B majority government

C ballot

D minority government

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4 **In Canadian politics, which term names the period when candidates and parties try to win voters support**

- A majority government
- B minority government
- C voter eligibility
- D campaign

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5 **In Canadian politics, which term names a government whose party holds more than half the seats in the legislature**

- A majority government
- B minority government
- C voter eligibility
- D secret ballot

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6 **In Canadian politics, which term names a government whose party holds the most seats but less than half**

- A voter eligibility
- B minority government
- C secret ballot
- D first past the post

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7 **In Canadian politics, which term names the rules that decide who may vote, including citizenship and age**

- A secret ballot
- B first past the post
- C voter eligibility
- D turnout

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8 **In Canadian politics, which term names voting in private so no one else knows how a person voted**

A first past the post

B turnout

C democracy

D secret ballot

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9 **In Canadian politics, which term names an electoral system in which the candidate with the most votes in a riding wins**

A first past the post

B turnout

C democracy

D riding

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10 **In Canadian politics, which term names the share of eligible voters who actually vote in an election**

- A turnout
- B democracy
- C riding
- D ballot

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11 **Governments provide services such as roads, schools and health care, funded mainly through**

- A donations
- B fees only
- C taxes
- D fines only

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12 **In Canada, people aged 18 and older may vote in federal elections, provided they are Canadian**

A property owners

B taxpayers only

C party members

D citizens

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13 **A candidate who wins a riding with 40 percent of the vote while three rivals share the rest has won under first past the post because the candidate has the**

A most votes

B majority of votes

C fewest votes

D second most votes

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14 **A minority government must usually gain support from other parties to pass laws, because it does not hold a**

A leader

B majority of seats

C cabinet

D platform

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15 **Election campaigns in Canada are regulated, including limits on spending and rules about**

A debates only

B polls only

C advertising

D signs only

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16 **A low voter turnout worries democrats because election results then reflect the views of fewer**

A parties

B candidates

C polls

D citizens

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17 **The role of government includes making laws, providing services and protecting the safety and rights of**

A citizens

B parties only

C businesses only

D visitors only

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18 **A by election is held when a seat becomes vacant between general elections, for example when a member**

- A travels
- B resigns
- C campaigns
- D retires from a party only

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19 **Advance polls let voters cast a ballot early, which helps people who cannot vote on election**

- A night
- B weekend
- C day
- D morning

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20 **A returning officer runs an election in a riding, including counting ballots and announcing the**

- A campaign
- B platform
- C debate
- D result

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21 **Governments are accountable to voters because voters can judge their record at the next**

- A election
- B census
- C budget
- D debate

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22 **A political platform sets out what a party promises to do if it forms**

A a debate team

B government

C a poll

D a coalition only

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23 **The House of Commons has 338 seats. The smallest number of seats that gives a majority is**

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24 **The Prince Edward Island Legislative Assembly has 27 seats. The smallest number of seats that gives a majority is**

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25 **In a riding, 400 votes are cast for the winner out of 1000 valid votes. The winner share is not asked as a percent instead, the votes for all other candidates together number**

ANSWER

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ANSWER KEY

1.	A	**10.**	A	**19.**	C
2.	B	**11.**	C	**20.**	D
3.	C	**12.**	D	**21.**	A
4.	D	**13.**	A	**22.**	B
5.	A	**14.**	B	**23.**	170
6.	B	**15.**	C	**24.**	14
7.	C	**16.**	D	**25.**	600
8.	D	**17.**	A		
9.	A	**18.**	B		

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