Parliament — Practice Test

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1 **In the Canadian Parliament, which term names the elected chamber of Parliament where members debate and pass laws**

- A House of Commons
- B Senate
- C Governor General
- D Prime Minister

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2 **In the Canadian Parliament, which term names the appointed chamber of Parliament that reviews laws passed by the Commons**

- A Senate
- B Governor General
- C Prime Minister
- D Cabinet

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3 **In the Canadian Parliament, which term names the representative of the monarch in Canada who gives royal assent to bills**

- A Prime Minister
- B Cabinet
- C Governor General
- D Member of Parliament

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4 **In the Canadian Parliament, which term names the head of government in Canada, usually the leader of the governing party**

A Cabinet

B Member of Parliament

C question period

D Prime Minister

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5 **In the Canadian Parliament, which term names the group of ministers chosen by the Prime Minister to run government departments**

A Cabinet

B Member of Parliament

C question period

D royal assent

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6 **In the Canadian Parliament, which term names a person elected to represent a riding in the House of Commons**

A question period

B Member of Parliament

C royal assent

D bill

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7 **In the Canadian Parliament, which term names a daily period when opposition members question ministers in the Commons**

A royal assent

B bill

C question period

D committee

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8 **In the Canadian Parliament, which term names the formal approval that turns a bill into law**

A bill

B committee

C House of Commons

D royal assent

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9 **In the Canadian Parliament, which term names a proposed law before Parliament**

A bill

B committee

C House of Commons

D Senate

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10 **In the Canadian Parliament, which term names a smaller group of members that studies a bill or issue in detail**

A House of Commons

B committee

C Senate

D Governor General

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11 **A bill usually passes through first reading, second reading, committee study, third reading and then the same stages in the other**

A court

B province

C chamber

D party

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12 **The Senate can suggest changes to a bill and delay it, but it rarely blocks a bill that has strong support in the elected**

- A Cabinet
- B courts
- C provinces
- D Commons

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13 **The Prime Minister is not directly elected as Prime Minister voters elect Members of Parliament, and the leader who commands confidence becomes**

- A Prime Minister
- B Governor General
- C Speaker
- D Senator

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14 **The Speaker of the House of Commons keeps order during debates and must act**

A for the government

B impartially

C for the opposition

D for the Senate

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15 **A minister is responsible for a department, such as health or finance, and must answer for its work in**

A court only

B the media only

C Parliament

D cabinet only

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16 **Question period matters because it lets the opposition hold the government to account in public, every sitting**

A year

B election

C budget

D day

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17 **A private members bill is introduced by a member who is not a minister, and it can become law if it gains enough**

A support

B money

C publicity

D signatures only

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18 **Parliament sits in Ottawa, in the Centre Block area of Parliament Hill, where the Commons and Senate**

- A courts sit
- B chambers are located
- C parties meet only
- D provinces vote

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19 **A confidence vote tests whether the government still has the support of a majority in the**

- A Senate
- B Cabinet
- C Commons
- D courts

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20 **Senators are appointed, not elected, and they serve until age 75, which is meant to give the Senate independence from short term**

- A media
- B parties
- C provinces
- D electoral pressure

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21 **A bill about spending money must start in the Commons, because the Commons controls the power of the**

- A purse
- B Senate
- C Crown
- D courts

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22 **Hansard is the official record of debates in Parliament, so citizens can read what members actually**

- A voted in secret
- B said
- C promised in private
- D planned

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23 **The Senate has 105 seats. If 55 senators support a motion, the senators who do not support it number**

ANSWER _____

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24 **The House of Commons has 338 seats. If 170 seats form a majority, the remaining seats number**

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25 **One chamber has 338 seats and another has 105 seats. The difference in seats is**

ANSWER

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ANSWER KEY

1. A
2. A
3. C
4. D
5. A
6. B
7. C
8. D
9. A
10. B
11. C
12. D
13. A
14. B
15. C
16. D
17. A
18. B
19. C
20. D
21. A
22. B
23. 50
24. 168
25. 233

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