SASKATCHEWAN SOCIAL STUDIES 10 · UNIT B

Political Ideologies, Governance and Decision Making — Practice Test

Saskatchewan Social Studies 10 • 10 questions

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1

First Nations governments in Saskatchewan exercise self government in areas such as

A federal defence policy

B provincial highway law for all

C community administration under treaties and agreements

D foreign affairs for Canada

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2 **The Charter of Rights and Freedoms protects fundamental freedoms such as freedom of**

A speech only for elected officials

B movement only within one town

C religion only for one faith

D conscience, expression, association, and peaceful assembly

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3 **A democratic election is considered free and fair when voters can choose among candidates**

A without intimidation and with votes counted honestly

B only if they support one party

C only in the capital city

D without any information about candidates

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4 **Political socialization refers to the process by which people learn political values from**

- A only from textbooks
- B family, school, media, peers, and community life
- C only from the premier
- D only after age sixty

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5 **An interest group differs from a political party mainly because it seeks to influence policy rather than**

- A hold meetings
- B raise money
- C win office and form a government
- D publish newsletters

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6 **A political spectrum is a useful tool because it places ideologies along a range from**

A north to south by climate

B rich to poor by income only

C old to young by age only

D left to right according to views on equality and government action

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7 **Placing an ideology on the left of the spectrum usually signals stronger support for**

A equality and government action to reduce inequality

B hereditary monarchy

C abolition of all public services

D military rule

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8 **Placing an ideology on the right of the spectrum usually signals stronger support for**

- **A** state ownership of all property
- **B** tradition, order, and private enterprise
- **C** abolition of private property
- **D** rule by a single party forever

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9 **A good decision making process in government should be transparent, meaning that**

- **A** decisions are made in secret always
- **B** only officials know the reasons
- **C** citizens can see how and why decisions were made
- **D** no records are kept

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10 **Accountability in government means that those in power must answer for their decisions to**

A no one at all

B only their own party

C only foreign governments

D voters, legislatures, and courts

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ANSWER KEY

1.	C	**5.**	C	**9.**	C
2.	D	**6.**	D	**10.**	D
3.	A	**7.**	A		
4.	B	**8.**	B		

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