

Public Policy Foundations

Public Policy · Answer Key · 8 Questions

1. Which term describes the formal process by which a government proposal becomes an official rule or law?

A) Legislative process

B) Judicial review

C) Executive decree

D) Public consultation

2. What is the primary role of a 'think tank' in the context of public policy?

A) To enforce criminal laws

B) To conduct research and advocate for specific policy solutions

C) To manage the national budget

D) To elect public officials

3. In the policy cycle, what stage typically follows the 'agenda-setting' phase?

A) Evaluation

B) Implementation

C) Formulation

D) Monitoring

4. Which government document outlines the official plan for expected revenue and expenditure for a country?

A) The Constitution

B) The National Budget

C) The White Paper

D) The Civic Charter

5. What is the function of a 'Green Paper' in the Australian policy-making process?

A) To mandate immediate action

B) To provide a final decision

C) To discuss options and encourage public feedback

D) To track judicial precedents

6. Which branch of government is primarily responsible for the 'implementation' of public policy?

A) The Legislature

B) The Judiciary

C) The Executive

D) The Electorate

7. What does the term 'sunset clause' refer to in public legislation?

- A) A clause that allows for tax exemptions
- B) A provision that causes a law to expire after a certain date**
- C) A law that only applies during evening hours
- D) A restriction on parliamentary debate

8. Which mechanism allows the public to provide formal input on proposed government regulations?

- A) Public consultation**
- B) Private lobbying
- C) Executive veto
- D) Constitutional amendment