

Understanding Australian Civics and Government

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1. What is the name of the country's Parliament that makes laws for all Australians?

- A) The States Parliament
- B) The Federal Parliament
- C) The Local Parliament
- D) The Territory Parliament

2. Who is the head of state in Australia?

- A) The Prime Minister
- B) The Governor-General
- C) The Chief Justice
- D) The President

3. What is the system of government in Australia called where people vote for their representatives?

- A) Monarchy
- B) Dictatorship
- C) Democracy
- D) Oligarchy

4. How often are citizens generally expected to vote in Australian federal elections?

- A) Every 2 years
- B) Every 3 years
- C) Every 4 years
- D) Every 5 years

5. What is the role of the High Court of Australia?

- A) To make new laws
- B) To enforce laws
- C) To interpret laws and the Constitution
- D) To represent Australia overseas

6. Which of these is a responsibility of an Australian citizen?

- A) Becoming Prime Minister
- B) Serving on a jury
- C) Being a member of Parliament
- D) Being the Governor-General

7. What are the three levels of government in Australia?

- A) Federal, State, and Local
- B) Federal, Regional, and Municipal
- C) National, Provincial, and City
- D) Central, District, and Town

8. What is the name of the document that outlines the fundamental rules for Australia's government?

- A) The Bill of Rights
- B) The Magna Carta
- C) The Constitution
- D) The Declaration of Independence

9. Who leads the government in Australia?

- A) The Governor-General
- B) The Opposition Leader
- C) The Prime Minister
- D) The Speaker of the House

10. What does it mean to be a 'responsible citizen' in Australia?

- A) Only caring about yourself
- B) Respecting laws and participating in the community
- C) Never disagreeing with the government
- D) Only following the rules you like

11. What is the main purpose of laws in a country like Australia?

- A) To make things difficult for people
- B) To keep order and protect people's rights
- C) To only help the government
- D) To give everyone the same job

12. Which house of the Australian Federal Parliament has representatives for each state and territory, with two senators for each?

- A) The House of Representatives
- B) The Senate
- C) The High Court
- D) The Cabinet

13. What is the role of the Governor-General in Australia?

- A) To be the leader of the political party
- B) To represent the King or Queen and perform constitutional duties
- C) To make all the laws
- D) To be the main judge of the country

14. What is the name given to the group of ministers who advise the Prime Minister and run government departments?

- A) The Parliament
- B) The Opposition
- C) The Cabinet
- D) The Judiciary

15. Which of the following is a right of Australian citizens?

- A) The right to always win elections
- B) The right to vote in elections
- C) The right to be Prime Minister
- D) The right to make laws

16. What is the name of the political party that wins the most seats in the House of Representatives and forms the government?

- A) The Opposition Party
- B) The Independent Party
- C) The Majority Party
- D) The Ruling Party

17. What is the capital city of Australia?

- A) Sydney
- B) Melbourne
- C) Canberra
- D) Brisbane

18. When a country's leaders are chosen by the people, this is called:

- A) A dictatorship
- B) An election
- C) A revolution
- D) A monarchy

19. What is the term for a group of people who disagree with the government and try to offer alternative ideas?

- A) The Cabinet
- B) The Majority
- C) The Opposition
- D) The Parliament

20. Which of these is a fundamental part of Australian democracy?

- A) No one is allowed to disagree
- B) People can express their opinions freely
- C) Only the government can speak
- D) All laws are the same for everyone

21. What is the name of the building where the Australian Federal Parliament meets?

- A) The High Court Building
- B) Parliament House
- C) The Governor-General's Residence
- D) The Treasury Building

22. What is the primary function of a Member of Parliament (MP)?

- A) To be a judge
- B) To represent the people in their electorate
- C) To be the Prime Minister
- D) To command the army