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# STUDY GUIDE

## canada's government AND economy

### GOVERNMENT

1. What type of representative democracy does Canada have? \_\_\_\_\_
2. Citizens can participate in Canada's democracy by \_\_\_\_\_ and holding office.
3. How old do citizens need to be to vote? \_\_\_\_\_
4. Is voting in Canada compulsory (required) or optional? \_\_\_\_\_
5. Who the citizens can vote for (legislatures only, chief executive only, or both)? \_\_\_\_\_
6. Canada has 3 branches of government:
  - a. \_\_\_\_\_ branch- *creates laws*
  - b. \_\_\_\_\_ branch- *enforces laws*
  - c. \_\_\_\_\_ branch- *interprets laws*

### legislative branch

7. What is the name of Canada's legislative branch? \_\_\_\_\_
8. Canada's legislature has 2 parts. What is the term for this? \_\_\_\_\_
9. The 2 parts of Canada's Parliament are the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ and the \_\_\_\_\_.
10. How many seats/members are in the House of Commons? \_\_\_\_\_
11. How are these members chosen?  
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12. Members of the House of Commons are elected every 3-4 years. What is the term limit for this position? \_\_\_\_\_
13. How many current different political parties are in Canada's House of Commons? \_\_\_\_\_
14. Which political party has the most members in the House of Commons? \_\_\_\_\_
15. How many seats/members are in the Senate? \_\_\_\_\_
16. How are these members elected?  
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17. Senate members can serve until the age of \_\_\_\_\_.

### judicial branch

18. Number of total judges in Canada's Supreme Court (highest court): \_\_\_\_\_
19. How are Supreme Court judges selected?  
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20. Supreme Court judges are appointed for life and can serve until the age of \_\_\_\_\_.

executive branch

- 21. Although Canada is now independent from Great Britain, one major link between the two countries is that Canada and Great Britain still share the same \_\_\_\_\_, Queen Elizabeth II, who is the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_.
- 22. How does the head of state (monarch) come to power?  
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- 23. Canada has a constitutional monarchy, which means the monarch's power is limited by the constitution. Describe the role of the monarch.  
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- 24. Queen Elizabeth II is the monarch of 16 Commonwealth Realm countries. Who does she select to represent her in each of these countries? \_\_\_\_\_
- 25. Who currently represents the monarch (Queen Elizabeth II) in Canada?  
\_\_\_\_\_ (title and name)
- 26. The current head of government (chief executive) in Canada is \_\_\_\_\_ (title and name). He is the leader of the \_\_\_\_\_ Party in the Parliament.
- 27. What is the role of Canada's prime minister?  
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- 28. How is the chief executive chosen in Canada's parliamentary democracy?  
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- 29. How is the way the chief executive is selected in a parliamentary democracy different than the way the chief executive is selected in a presidential democracy?  
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**ECONOMY**

- 30. Canada has a mixed economy leaning towards market.  
List 4 "market characteristics" of Canada's government.  
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- List 1 "command characteristic" of Canada's government.  
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- 31. What does NAFTA stand for? \_\_\_\_\_
- 32. Explain the purpose of NAFTA.  
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- 33. What are some positive and negative aspects of NAFTA?  
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