

Unit 1
Politics and Government

Additional Provincial Exam Practice Questions

Directions: Select the best answer for each of the following questions

Chapter 2: Effecting Political Change

13. At the federal level, whose signature is required for royal assent?
- A. the prime minister's
 - B. the Queen's
 - C. the minister of justice's
 - D. the Governor General's
14. Which reading of a bill is a formality that allows opposition parties to review and prepare questions?
- A. first reading
 - B. second reading
 - C. third reading
 - D. royal assent
15. What usually happens after the second reading of a bill?
- A. A free vote is held in the House of Commons.
 - B. A committee closely examines the bill.
 - C. The Senate is invited to comment.
 - D. Revisions are made by the House of Commons.

16. What is the difference between a bill becoming law federally and provincially?
- A. The federal process requires fewer readings.
 - B. The federal process addresses national review concerns.
 - C. The provincial process does not include the Senate.
 - D. The provincial process uses a two-reading system.
17. Gay marriage laws are discussed in caucus. A vote is about to be taken. The MPs are allowed to vote according to their own conscience and not follow party discipline. What is this called?
- A. waiver of party discipline
 - B. order of caucus
 - C. private member's bill
 - D. free vote
18. Sam joins a peaceful demonstration. Lucy engages in civil disobedience. What are Sam and Lucy participating in?
- A. exhibitionism
 - B. publicity
 - C. protest
 - D. campaign

Use the following information to answer the question below.

1	when a letter-writing campaign has failed to make a difference in government policy
2	when a professional group wishes to alert the government to problems in a new piece of legislation
3	when there is a desire to indicate that many people support a certain change and want quick action
4	when a pressure group wishes to sample the general public's views

19. When is a petition used?
- A. 1
 - B. 2
 - C. 3
 - D. 4

20. Which is not an effective way to influence the government?
- A. writing a letter to your MP or a newspaper editor
 - B. creating or signing a petition
 - C. joining public debate
 - D. hiring someone to initiate a media campaign
21. Protesters set up blockades to prevent loggers from entering the forest at Clayoquot Sound in British Columbia. What method did they use to oppose a provincial government law?
- A. civil disobedience
 - B. joining a pressure group
 - C. initiating a court case
 - D. encouraging public debate
22. What allows any person to attempt to influence the government?
- A. Individuals within a democracy have opinions.
 - B. Citizens act as group members in a political system.
 - C. Individuals can use democratic processes to complain.
 - D. Citizens can actively participate in a democracy.

Answers

- 13. D
- 14. A
- 15. B
- 16. C
- 17. D
- 18. C
- 19. C
- 20. D
- 21. A
- 22. D