 **THE ELECTORAL**

**PROCESS IN**

**CANADA**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Date:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Block : \_\_\_\_\_\_

* Federal and Provincial Elections occer every \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in Canada.
* Municipal elections are called every \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in BC (\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_)

\* WAIT!? Why then did we have elections in 2006, 2008, 2011 and 2015 Federally?

* Because: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

**How Are Elections Run in Canada?**

**Step 1:** The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ diossolves Parliament when either:

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**Step 2:** An election is now scheduled \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

**Step 3:** The Prime-Minister \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

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| **Election Timeline (28 Days Later?!)** | |
| Day 0 |  |
| Day 0 – 7 |  |
| Day 7 – 28 |  |
| Day 22 – 25 |  |
| Day 28 |  |

\* **Note:** Recounts (situations where a candidate wins a seat by 100 votes or less) can take approx 10 days to complete

**Voting In a Federal Election**

* Anyone who is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ or older on Election Day and registered with Elections Canada can vote. New voters can register at polling stations on Election Day. Easiest way to register? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* Canadians can cast their votes in numerous ways:

1. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (85% chose this option).
2. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (10% of voters). 3) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (5% of voters).

* Votes are cast in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ format. In order to win a seat a candidate must receive the most votes in their constituency (\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_)
* This system is called “ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.”
* Candidates are not allowed at voting stations (bullies?) but they may send a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to observe.

**Election Campaigns in Canada**

* The house of commons has \_\_\_\_\_\_ seats. Each seat represents a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of aprx \_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
  + Most candidates run under the banner of a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
  + However candidates may also run as \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* In order to run for a party you must be \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, which costs \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* To make elections as fair as possible, parties and candidates must abide by the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* This Act limits the amount of $ an individual or party may spend on their campaign. Also candidates must carefully record the amount they spend and where they got the $ from.
* What are some potential campaign methods for candidates?

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