

# CANADA'S GOVERNMENT

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### DIRECTIONS:

1. Visit my website at [www.mrswaldenlms.weebly.com](http://www.mrswaldenlms.weebly.com).
2. Click on Government and Canada's Government Power Point.
3. View slides 1-23.
4. Fill in the notes and questions below.

### DUE ON:

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You must come to class with the notes filled in as well as this sheet completed for credit.

### CONSTITUTION ACT OF 1867

The Constitution Act of 1867 was the first \_\_\_\_\_ of government for the nation of Canada.

It is the plan that would describe what \_\_\_\_\_ of government Canada would have.

This act described what \_\_\_\_\_ would belong to the federal government and which would belong to the provincial and territorial governments.

It also said that all Canadians had complete \_\_\_\_\_.

The men who wrote this act are called the \_\_\_\_\_ OF CONFEDERATION.

And finally, it is known as the \_\_\_\_\_ Law of Canada and includes some 30 acts and orders.

What are some SIMILARITIES you see between Canada's Constitution Act of 1867 and the United State's Constitution?

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### CANADIAN CHARTER OF RIGHTS AND FREEDOMS

This is a very important part of the Canadian \_\_\_\_\_.

It explains the \_\_\_\_\_ of each Canadian citizen.

These rights include...

- Freedom of choice and \_\_\_\_\_
- Freedom of speech, \_\_\_\_\_ and thought
- The freedom to meet \_\_\_\_\_ with other people
- The right to \_\_\_\_\_
- The right to be treated \_\_\_\_\_ by the government regardless of age, sex, race, ethnic origin or mental or physical disability

What are some SIMILARITIES you see between Canada's Charter of Rights and Freedoms and the United State's Bill of Rights?

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### **WHAT TYPE OF GOVERNMENT DOES CANADA HAVE?**

Canada is a \_\_\_\_\_ monarchy.

That means they recognize the King/Queen as the Head of \_\_\_\_\_, but the Prime Minister is the head of \_\_\_\_\_.

### **THE THREE BRANCHES**

Like the USA, Canada's government is divided into \_\_\_\_\_ branches:

- The Executive Branch
- The \_\_\_\_\_ Branch
- The Judicial Branch

The \_\_\_\_\_ Act of 1867 describes the duties that each branch has.

Each branch must follow the \_\_\_\_\_ at all times.

The headquarters for each branch is in \_\_\_\_\_, Ontario which is Canada's national capital.

Where is the headquarters for the government of the USA? \_\_\_\_\_

### **THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH**

This branch makes sure the laws are \_\_\_\_\_.

The head of this branch is the \_\_\_\_\_, who has a Cabinet to assist him/her.

\_\_\_\_\_ Harper is Canada's Prime Minister today.

The head of Canadian government is the \_\_\_\_\_.

Who is the head of government in the USA? \_\_\_\_\_

### **THE GOVERNOR GENERAL**

Canada's Monarch (king or queen) is also Monarch of \_\_\_\_\_ other nations.

Canada's Monarch, with the advice of the Prime Minister, appoints someone to represent the Monarch in \_\_\_\_\_.

This is the \_\_\_\_\_ General.

The Governor General serves as the Commander in Chief of the Canadian \_\_\_\_\_ Forces.

The Governor General also \_\_\_\_\_ excellence by giving awards to outstanding Canadians.

They also host foreign leaders and \_\_\_\_\_ foreign countries at the request of the Prime Minister.

## **THE LEGISLATIVE BRANCH**

This branch is in charge of making \_\_\_\_\_.

It is known as \_\_\_\_\_, the equivalent of Congress in the USA.

Parliament is made up of the House of \_\_\_\_\_ and the Senate.

### **The Senate...**

- Is the \_\_\_\_\_ house.
- Numbers are based on Canada's \_\_\_\_\_.
- The Prime Minister selects senators. Since they are not \_\_\_\_\_, they have little power.

### **The House of Commons...**

- Is the \_\_\_\_\_ house and is the most important part of the Legislative Branch.
- The members are known as Members of Parliament (MP's) and their job is to \_\_\_\_\_ and pass laws.

## **THE JUDICIAL BRANCH**

This branch \_\_\_\_\_ the law and determines whether or not they are constitutional.

The highest court in this branch is the \_\_\_\_\_ Court, made up of 9 justices.

These justices are \_\_\_\_\_ by the Governor General.

Who appoints the justices in the US Supreme Court? \_\_\_\_\_