

Our National Parliament – The Inside Story

1) The business of Parliament is to _____

2) Canada`s formal head of state is the _____

3) The Lower House of Parliament is the _____

4) What is the job of the Official Opposition?

5) Why was the Senate created?

6) The executive branch of government is made up of the _____

_____. Together they comprise the _____

_____. Their job is to _____

_____.

7) The _____ makes sure that all party members are present during a vote in the House of Commons.

8) List three roles of the Prime Minister:

9) What does the Speech from the Throne contain?

10) Who write the Speech? _____

11) Who reads the Speech? _____

12) Why is the Throne Speech read in the Senate and not in the House of Commons?

13) The _____ summons the members of the House of Commons to hear the Throne Speech in the Senate.

14) Before hearing the Speech, the members must return to the House and elect a _____

_____. Why is this done? _____

15) The _____ is the symbol of the Speaker's authority in the House.

16) List four departments that Cabinet ministers are responsible for.

17) Only the governing party in the House of Commons can introduce bills involving

18) Most debate regarding a bill takes place after the _____

19) After the bill is passed through the House it goes to the Senate for _____ more readings.

20) After it passes through the Senate the bill must receive _____
to become a law.

21) What do you think is good about our system of government?

22) What do you think could be done to improve our system of government?
