

Directions: Be sure to complete all of the readings and assigned questions. Be aware that the unit test questions will refer not only to concepts covered in the worksheets, but also to readings from your textbook.

Keywords: Briefly define each of the following keywords on a separate piece of paper.

First-past-the-post System

Ideology

Pressure Groups

Civil Disobedience

Proportional Representation

Non-governmental Organization

Lobbyist

Questions:

Answer each question as completely as you can.

1. What qualifications must you have to be able to vote in Canadian elections?

2. Explain what is meant by the “first-past-the-post” system of voting. What is the major objection to this system?

3. Refer to Figure 10-10 on page 254 and answer the four questions there.

4. What is a political party? Name the major parties in Canada (at the time your textbook was written).

5. Name the registered political parties in British Columbia? You probably have to use the internet to find the answer.

6. What is the difference between an institutionalized pressure group and an issue-oriented pressure group?

7. Read “Counterpoints” and “Applying Pressure” on pages 262-264. In point form describe how citizens can influence government.

8. The mass media – TV, radio, newspapers, magazines – keep the public informed. What is “media concentration” and why is it a concern?

9. Refer to Figure 10-21 on page 267 of your textbook. Briefly describe what is happening in this photograph. (Be sure to define the term civil disobedience.)