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5. Political Parties

1. What is the present age in terms of politics called as?

Age of democracy

2. What is democracy?

Government of the people, for the people and by the people.

3. What is the citizen in democracy called as?

Citizen is both the ruler and the ruled.

4. Who are the visible institutions in a democracy?

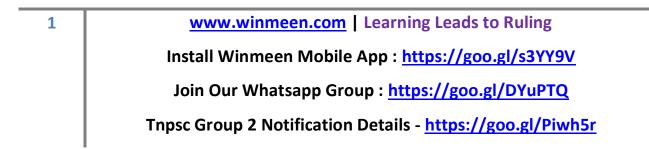
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5. Who serves as link between the people and the government ?

Political parties

6. Who are political parties?

It is a group of people who come together to contest elections and hold powers in the government.



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7. What are the components of political parties?

They have three components. They are leader, active member and the followers.

8. List some characteristics of political party?

- A political party agrees on important matters of public policy
- It aims to take part in the struggle for power
- It implements its policies and programmes by constitutional means
- It should have some degree of permanence
- It must have definite aims and objectives
- 9. What are the functions of political parties?
 - Parties contest elections

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- Parties put forward their policies and programmes before the voters
- They play a decisive role in making laws
- The party which wins majority seats becomes the ruling party and runs the government
- Those parties that lose the majority in the elections form the opposition. They voice their different views and criticize the government for its failure and wrong policies.
- Parties shape public opinion. They raise and highlight issues.

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10. What kind of structure do Indian political parties has?

Hierarchical structure

11. What is the structure of Political parties?

President is the head he is been assisted by the secretaries and a treasurer.

12. What are the types of party system?

- Single party system
- Bi-party system or tow party system
- Multi-party system

13. What kind of party system has one ruling party and no opposition?

Single Party system

14. What kind of party system do USSR has?

Single party system

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15. What is bi-party system or two party system?

It is a system in which two major parties exist. Example, U.S.A. and U.k

16. What is Multi-party system?

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It is a system in which there are more than two political parties examples India, Sri Lanka.

17. Which country has largest number of political parties?

India

18. What is the reason behind emergence of large number of state parties?

Regional issues, caste and communal division, cultural diversity and languages.

19. What is State party?

A party is recognized as state party by the election commission of India based on certain percentage of vote's secured or certain number of seats won in the Assembly or Lok Sabha Elections.

20. What is national party?

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A party which is recognized as a state party in at least four states is recognized as national party.

21. Who can use the election symbol?

Only the official candidates can use it.

