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Social Studies

Branches of Government



Structure of the Government of The Bahamas

The Constitution of the Bahamas is based on the Westminster Model; Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, The Executive Branch, The Legislative Branch, and Judicial Branch.

As a member of the Commonwealth of Nations The Bahamas recognizes Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II as Head of State. The Governor-General is Her Majesty's representative in The Bahamas and constitutes a symbol of the nation's unity.

The Cabinet constitutes the executive branch and has general direction and control of the Government of The Bahamas. It is necessary for the Cabinet to comprise at least nine Ministers inclusive of the Prime Minister and Attorney General.

Parliament constitutes the Legislative branch of The Bahamas, which consist of a Senate and a House of Assembly. Subject to the provisions of the Constitution, Parliament may make laws for the peace, order and good government of The Bahamas.

Judicial Authority is vested in the Judicature which comprises the Supreme Court and the Court of Appeal with such jurisdiction, powers and authority as may be conferred on these Courts respectively by the Constitution or any other law.

Multiple Choice. Choose the best answer. [1 each]

1. The type of government in The Bahamas is _____.

   Democracy Republic Monarchy

2. Leaders in a democratic country are _____.

   called elected appointed

3. _____votes for the leaders in government.

   Doctors Ministers Citizens

4. There are _____ branches of government in The Bahamas.

   five three two

5. Elections are held every _____ years in The Bahamas.

   ten five seven

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6. The Legislative branch writes the _____

newspapers T.V shows laws

7. The Executive branch _____ the laws.

enforces likes writes

8. The Judicial branch make sure that laws follow the _____.

phonebook constitution newspaper

9. Judges in the Supreme Court are nominated by_____.

Prime Minister Governor General Senators

10. There are _____ Senators in the Senate.

seventeen sixteen fifteen

11. The Prime Minister appoints cabinet ministers who are in charge of _____.

parliament members ministries

12. The leader of the majority party becomes the _____.

Governor General Prime Minister Senator

13. Members of the Senate are _____

elected judges appointed

14. The minority party forms the _____.

government cabinet opposition

15. Parliamentarians in the House of Assembly are called _____.

Members of Parliament Senators Ministers

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16. Who is the Head of State in The Bahamas?

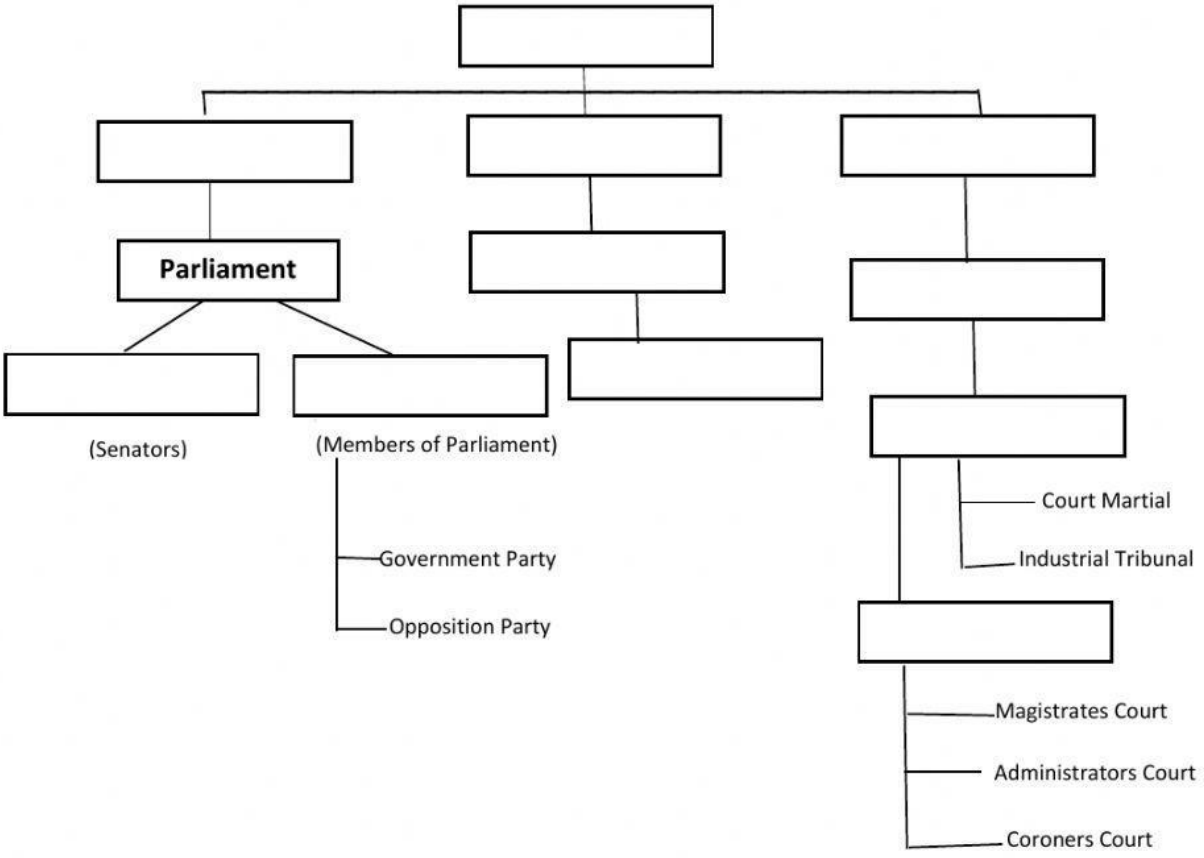
Members of Parliament Governor General Prime Minister

Use the words from the box to label the structure of the Bahamian Government. Be sure to use capital letters for your answers. [1 pt each]



Executive Branch Cabinet Ministers
Prime Minister Supreme Court
Senate Court of Appeal
Legislative Branch Privy Council
Governor General House of Assembly
Judiciary Branch

Structure of Bahamian Government



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