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SOCIAL STUDIES

PLEASE READ INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY. ATTEMPT ALL QUESTIONS. BEST WISHES!

Section (A) Multiple Choice: Choose the letter that best corresponds to the correct answer.

1. The head of state in a constitutional monarchy is recognized as the:
 - a. The governor general
 - b. A prime minister
 - c. A president
 - d. A monarch
2. 'First-past-the-post' system refers to:
 - a. The first person to cast a vote on polling day.
 - b. The first polling station to count the votes casted.
 - c. The candidate who collects the most votes in a constituency
 - d. The first time the people in a country voted.
3. The members of parliament who are not in a ruling party form the:
 - a. cabinet
 - b. senate
 - c. opposition
 - d. ministry
4. The body of laws governing a country is referred to as the:
 - a. Parliament
 - b. Ministers
 - c. Constitution
 - d. Laws
5. First-past-the-post system is used in all commonwealth countries except:
 - a. Grenada
 - b. Guyana
 - c. Grenadines
 - d. Guadeloupe

SECTION B. TRUE OR FALSE: Based on your answer, click on either TRUE OR FALSE. (1pt each)

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| 1. Governments are responsible to regulate citizen's daily lives. | True | False |
| 2. All citizens who have reached the age of 18 should register before election day. | True | False |

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| 3. Elections are held every 5 years only in Belize. | True | False |
| 4. The voter should never fold the ballot paper. | True | False |
| 5. All candidates should have equal opportunities to campaign and recruit votes. | True | False |
| 6. First-past-the-post tends to favour a 2 party system. | True | False |
| 7. First past the post system assigns the seat in direct proportion to votes gained. | True | False |
| 8. Only Proportional representation deals with constituencies rather than party. | True | False |
| 9. Barbados has removed the Queen as the head of state. | True | False |
| 10. Belize is considered a republic since we have a governor general. | True | False |

SECTION D. STRUCTURED QUESTIONS: Fill in the blank with the appropriate reply.

Party	Seats	% votes
Labour	306 (47 %)	36.1
Democratic	258 (40 %)	29.0
Republican	57 (9 %)	23
Other parties	28 (4%)	11.9
Total	649 (100 %)	100

Look at the table above and answer the following questions.

- Write THREE factual statements about the elections portrayed above. (3 pts)
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- Which type of electoral system was used in the elections. (2 pts)
- How many seats does the parliament have? (1 pt.)
- How many seats would a party need for an overall majority? (1 pt.)