

English Parliament Quiz

Test on your knowledge of the Houses of Parliament and how parliament works. You'll find odd bits of trivia along with quiz questions about the more important aspects of running a country.

Question 1: What is the *actual* name of London's Houses of Parliament?

- (a) The Palace of Westminster
- (b) The Chambers of Westminster
- (c) The Courts of Westminster

Question 2: In which year were the Houses of Parliament that stand today completed?

- (a) 1670
- (b) 1770
- (c) 1870

Question 3: Who is the United Kingdom's Head of State?

- (a) The Queen
- (b) The Prime Minister
- (c) The Archbishop of Canterbury

Question 4: The British Parliament is made up of the 'House of Lords' and the 'House of Commons'. Which one of the following statements is true?

- (a) Only the members of the House of Lords are elected by the public.
- (b) Only the members of the House of Commons are elected by the public.
- (c) All the members of *both* Houses are elected by the public.

Question 5: What is the formal title of the Minister who is responsible for the British Government's financial and economic matters?

- (a) Chancellor of the Bank of England
- (b) Chancellor of the Budget
- (c) Chancellor of the Exchequer

Question 6: Every year, the Chancellor (mentioned in Question 5) famously takes his budget plans to parliament in a ?

- (a) wooden chest
- (b) red leather case
- (c) armoured convoy

Question 7: 'Whips' are the names of particular officials in a political party. One purpose of whips is to ensure that ?

- (a) elections are carried out fairly
- (b) MPs support their party on important votes
- (c) the Houses of Parliament are safe from intruders

Question 8: According to UK law, a general election must be held every ?

- (a) 3 years
- (b) 4 years
- (c) 5 years

Question 9: A 'green paper' is the name of a government document which is usually the first step in creating or changing government policy. What is issued in response to a green paper?

(a) A white paper (b) A red paper (c) A yellow paper

Question 10: What is the name of the senior officer in the House of Lords who is responsible for maintaining order in the House and controlling access?

(a) Black Rod (b) Silver Rod (c) Gold Rod

The Royal Family Quiz

This is a simple quiz about the Royal Family.

Question 1: What is the surname of the Royal Family?

(a) Buckingham (b) Windsor (c) Kensington

Question 2: Which member of the Royal Family is next in line to the throne?

(a) Prince Charles (b) Prince William (c) Prince Andrew

Question 3: What's the name of the Queen's official residence in London?

(a) The Tower of London (b) Buckingham Palace (c) Westminster House

Question 4: How many people work full time in the Royal Household?

(a) 245 (b) 445 (c) 645

Question 5: Which member of the Royal Family died on 31st August 1997?

(a) Lady Diana (b) The Queen Mother (c) Princess Margaret

Question 6: Which sport do Prince Charles and his sons like to play?

(a) Waterpolo (b) Golf (c) Polo

Question 7: What is Prince Charles' wife's official title?

(a) Princess of Cornwall (b) Queen of Cornwall (c) Duchess of Cornwall

Question 8: Which year was Queen Elizabeth II born?

(a) 1926 (b) 1936 (c) 1927

Question 9: What honorary title did the Queen give Princess Anne in 1987?

(a) Duchess of York (b) The Princess Royal (c) Duchess of Cornwall

Question 10: How many grandchildren does the Queen have?

(a) Nine (b) Seven (c) Eight

