

GOVERNMENT

In most countries, except _1_____ states there are several different political parties. The one with the _2_____ of seats normally forms the government, and the parties which are against the government are called the _3_____. Sometimes no single party wins enough seats, and several parties must combine together in a _4_____ to form a government. The principal ministers in the government form a group called the _5_____. The leader of this group, and of the government, is the _6_____.

Of course, there *are* many different kinds of parties and government. A socialist or communist party is often described as _7_____. A conservative party on the other hand, is usually said to be _8_____.

Political situations are always changing. Sometimes in a party or between two parties there is a big argument or deep difference of opinion. This is called a(an) _9_____. When, on the other hand, two parties work together, this is sometimes called an _10_____.

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| 1. a) cabinet | b) majority | c) coalition | d) one-party |
| 2. a) majority | b) alliance | c) coalition | d) opposition |
| 3. a) majority | b) alliance | c) coalition | d) opposition |
| 4. a) majority | b) alliance | c) coalition | d) opposition |
| 5. a) cabinet | b) majority | c) left-wing | d) one-party state |
| 6. a) cabinet minister | b) majority | c) prime minister | d) president |
| 7. a) right-wing | b) left-wing | c) alliance | d) coalition |
| 8. a) right-wing | b) left-wing | c) alliance | d) coalition |
| 9. a) opposition | b) coalition | c) alliance | d) split |
| 10. a) opposition | b) coalition | c) alliance | d) split |

THREE GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS



For almost two centuries, America's governing bodies, the _____ and the _____, have gathered under the dome of the **US Capitol**.



The **Palace of Westminster** serves as the meeting place for both the _____ and the _____, the two houses of the _____ of the United Kingdom.



The _____ (Swedish: **Riksdagshuset**), is the seat of the parliament of Sweden, the _____. It is located on nearly half of Helgeandsholmen (an island), in the *Gamla Stan* (old town) district of central Stockholm.