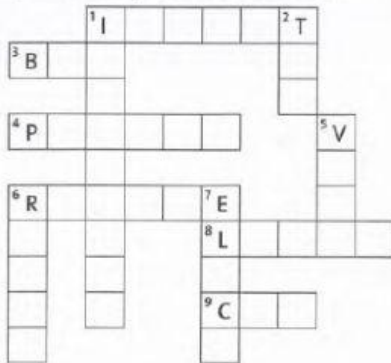


## VOCABULARY ■ Government policies

### 1 ★ Complete the crossword.



#### Across

- 1 put money into something to make it better
- 3 make something illegal, for example, smoking
- 4 allow
- 6 make something smaller
- 8 move something down
- 9 stop, remove or reduce something

#### Down

- 1 make something available for the first time
- 2 money that is paid to the government
- 5 say which candidate you want to win an election
- 6 increase or make something higher
- 7 choose a person by voting

### 2 ★★ Choose the correct answers.

The government has \_\_\_\_\_ smoking in restaurants.

**a banned** b raised c lowered d introduced

- 1 Did you \_\_\_\_\_ for Tom Jones in the last election?  
a invest b tax c introduce d vote
- 2 The government \_\_\_\_\_ EU citizens to enter the country without a visa.  
a stands for b permits c cuts d elects
- 3 Are they going to \_\_\_\_\_ income tax next year?  
a build b invest c lower d tax
- 4 If you \_\_\_\_\_ me, I'll make university education completely free!  
a vote b ban c elect d introduce
- 5 They'll \_\_\_\_\_ a better health system.  
a introduce b ban c cut d tax
- 6 If we \_\_\_\_\_ our education budget, we'll have more money for health services.  
a cut b tax c permit d stand for

7 The government needs to \_\_\_\_\_ €20 million in education.

a invest b elect c lower d vote

8 Can you \_\_\_\_\_ parliament if you are 16?

a reduce b invest c ban d stand for

### 3 ★★★ Complete the text with the words in the box.

elect introduce lower raise invest  
stand for tax vote ban

### Broken promises?

At election times, politicians stand for parliament and make promises because they want the public to 1 \_\_\_\_\_ for them.

'If you 2 \_\_\_\_\_ us, we'll build more hospitals and improve the health service! And we'll 3 \_\_\_\_\_ more in public transport and new roads,' they say.

'Education is very important. We'll 4 \_\_\_\_\_ free milk and fruit for every school student!'

Politicians say, 'We'll 5 \_\_\_\_\_ taxes, we'll 6 \_\_\_\_\_ nuclear weapons, we'll do everything that you want!'

In reality, however, governments need to 7 \_\_\_\_\_ the public, or they'd have no money. And after an election, governments often have to 8 \_\_\_\_\_ taxes to pay for the things they've promised!



### 4 ★★★ Imagine you are the mayor of your town or city. What changes would you introduce? Write six sentences using the verbs in the box.

ban cut invest introduce permit  
raise reduce

I'd introduce a programme of activities for young people in the city.

- 1 \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 \_\_\_\_\_
- 6 \_\_\_\_\_