

# Quiz

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## Question 1

1 / 1 pts

The ability of constitutional courts to strike down legislation even in the absence of a specific court case is known as \_\_\_\_\_ review.

preemptive

concrete

hypothetical

abstract

proactive

## Question 2

1 / 1 pts

The electoral system that tends to produce a large number of political parties is:

the mixed electoral system.

proportional representation.

the single transferable vote.

binomial proportional voting.

the single-member district system.

### Question 3

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Which of the following statements about referenda and initiatives is accurate?

National referenda in the United States and Canada are largely used for taxation and economic policy matters.

Formal power to call national referenda lies with the head of state in many European countries.

Constitutional reform is not subject to reform by referenda because of the ease with which most referenda are passed.

Referenda in the United States are more often used at the national level than at the local or state level.

Initiatives in most European countries can be started by either the legislature or the head of state, but rarely by the head of government.

### Question 4

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Which of the following is more likely to be a problem in a presidential system than in a parliamentary system?

a policy disagreement between the legislative and the executive that results from a very small party in the legislature holding up a law by denying it a majority vote

the weakening of the judiciary over time as a result of conflicts between presidential and legislative authority

the growth of power in political parties as presidential candidates become more beholden to party loyalists

a policy disagreement between the legislative and executive that restricts lawmaking for a long period, even if the executive has become unpopular with the electorate

unstable policymaking due to the indeterminate amount of time the president is in office

### Question 5

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Which of the following accurately describes a component of a mixed electoral system?

The structure steers voters toward support of very small, independent parties.

Voters participate in a combination of proportional representation and multimember districts.

Voters are allowed two votes, but both must go toward the same party (even if they are made for different candidates).

Voters are allowed two votes, one for a prime minister and the other for a legislative representative.

Voters are allowed two votes, one for a candidate and one for a party.

### Question 6

1 / 1 pts

Which of the following statements about semi-presidential systems is accurate?

The prime minister is typically the initiator of policy.

The president typically makes foreign policy and relies on the prime minister to implement it by representing the country internationally.

Semi-presidential systems have gone out of favor and have decreased in number during the last two decades.

Constitutional courts are often less powerful as a result of appointment by the president.

Prominent semi-presidential systems typically place most of the power with the prime minister.

### Question 7

1 / 1 pts

The idea of legal institutions to which everyone is subject is known as:

the authority of the governed.

majority rule.

the reign of democracy.

authority of power.