**Social Studies 10 Government Unit**

**Political Spectrum and Canadian Political Parties**

**Political Spectrum**

* Shows the difference in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and ideologies
* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ can be divided into two groups:
  1. Economic Ideologies: used for making laws about \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and the marketplace
     1. Examples: Government Sales Tax (GST)
  2. Social Ideology: used for making laws about \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (Criminal and Civil laws)
     1. Examples: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Division:**

* The political spectrum is divided into “Left” and “Right”
* The division is based off of the seating of members newly \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to the French Legislated Assembly in 1791- during the French \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

King Louis XVI

The Left:

The Right:

Supporters of the existing order,

Monarchists

Advocates of radical change,

Republicans

**Left Wing**

* More liberal
* Support change in order to improve the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of all citizens
* Government should play a larger role in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ lives (Social Services, benefits)
* Law and order are important to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the rights of all citizens fairly and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* More freedom to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and less power to police

**Centre**

* Tradition is important but \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is supported if more people want it
* Government should play a role in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the lives of citizens
* Law and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ are important to encourage and protect the rights of individuals

**Right Wing**

* More conservative
* Tradition is important and change should be treated with \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Government should play a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ role
* Private business should \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the needs of citizens are met
* Emphasis of law and order to protect society and its \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Less freedom to individuals and more \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to police

THE FOLLOWING CHART REPRESENTS A HISTORICAL TAKE OF THE MAJOR PARTIES IN CANADA. IT IS NOT NECESSARILY A DIRECT REFLECTION OF PERSONAL BELIEFS OR PRESENT POLITICAL PARTIES.

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| **Left**  **Referred to as:**  **Radicals, Socialists** | **Centre**  **Referred to as:**  **Liberals, Centrists** | **Right**  **Referred to as:**  **Conservatives** |
| **Political Parties:**  Communist, NDP, Green (social views)  **Ideology:**  **Progressive Social Views:**   * \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ should stay legal * Decriminalize pot * Equal Rights for gays and lesbians * Protect the environment through \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ agreements (Kyoto) * War is always wrong   **Progressive Economic Views:**   * Cutting \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ spending * Maintain taxes, provide social programs * Increase \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ * Tax the rich more than the poor | **Political Parties:**  Liberals  **Ideology:**  **Centrist Social Views:**   * Abortion should stay legal * \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ pot (?) * Equal rights for gays and lesbians * Protect the environment, Kyoto is the best way * War is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ wrong   **Centrists Economic Views:**   * Have \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ military spending * Maintain taxes, provide social programs * Tax \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ more than poor but not too heavily | **Political Parties:**  Conservatives, Green (economic views)  **Ideology:**  **Traditional Social Views:**   * Abortion is bad * Pot is bad * Don’t make homosexuality a crime but don’t \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ it * Made-in-Canada environmental plan * War is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ necessary   **Right-Wing Economic Views:**   * Military spending is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Canadians * Cut taxes and cut unnecessary \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ * Taxing companies make them unable to compete and leads to them not hiring people, Less income tax, maintain consumer taxes (GST, PST) |

**Political Spectrum:**

* Where you position yourself on the political spectrum has a direct impact on your choice of political party

**Political Party Platforms**

* Each political party has their own set of policies on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Health Care
* Taxes/ Government Spending
* Social Welfare Programs
* Social Issues (ex: Same Sex Marriage)
* Job Creation/\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (ex: Globalization, NAFTA)
* Military

**Platforms and Success**

* Ideas of a Political Party presented to the public is called a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* The Platform helps citizens decide on who to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for
* Platform has to do with \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ issues
* Members play a key role in determining what will be included in their political platform
* Parties have \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, where members voice their opinions and form their platform around the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ issues

**Pressures**

* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
  1. Parties want to ensure their policies do not affect the relationships with other countries
  2. Need to recognize international \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
     1. Such as: Canada-US trading relationship, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Supreme Court and Charter of Rights and Freedoms
  1. Parties must make sure their policies do not \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ on the constitution and Charter of Rights and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Interest Groups
  1. Groups that try to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ policy makers decision and adopt laws in their favour
  2. Have Lobbyists to try and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ politicians to take up their causes
     1. Ex: Ducks Unlimited on Environmental issues, Canadian Labour Congress on trade policies

**Canada’s Political Parties**

**Conservative Party of Canada**

“\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_” Platform focuses on:

* Creating jobs through \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, trade, and low taxes
* Supporting families through our Family Tax Cut and more support for seniors and caregivers
* Eliminating the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ by 2014-15 by controlling spending and cutting waste
* Making our streets safe through new \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to protect children and elderly
* Standing on guard for Canada by investing in the development of Canada’s \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, cracking down on human smuggling and strengthening the Canadian \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Liberal Party of Canada**

Platform Overview on some Issues:

* Economic Policy: Create jobs by \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Employment Insurance credits of $1300 for businesses that hire new \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. Under our plan, up to 175,000 new jobs could be created.
* Social Policy: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_- We believe the federal government must show leadership and work in collaboration with provincial and territorial partners to address critical health care issues like reducing wait times, and strengthening homecare, seniors care, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ prevention and treatment, and pharmacare.
* Environmental Policy: Liberals will make real investments in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ energy and energy-efficiency projects, to help \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ climate change causing gases, and add high-paying, cutting edge jobs.

**New Democratic Party of Canada**

Platform Overview on some Issues:

* Working Conditions: Our plan takes concrete action to fight growing income \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and provides leadership to increase standards for all workers. NDP government would \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ a federal minimum wage and increase it to $15.
* Child Care: plan to ensure there’s a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for every child – and parents won’t pay more than $15 a day.
* Veterans Affairs: We have a plan to re-open shuttered Veterans Affairs offices, end pension clawbacks, and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ health services for all veterans and their families.

**Green Party of Canada**

In General the Party Platform deals with:

* A modern, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ that:
  1. reduces the deficit
  2. Creates \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ jobs
  3. Does not rely on generating pollution to generate \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Well-\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and motivated citizens
  1. Live in healthy \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
  2. Eat sage and healthy food
  3. Enjoy a life-giving, healthy natural world

**Bloc Quebecois**

* New Party leader acclaimed January of 2019
* Campaigned on a promise of making sovereignty a priority over everything else
* The party is in a bit of turmoil
* Main focus of the party is protecting the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of Quebec