

**ASSOCIATION OF CANADA LANDS SURVEYORS
BOARD OF EXAMINERS**

**SCHEDULE III / ITEM 3
GOVERNMENT STRUCTURES AND ABORIGINAL GOVERNMENT ISSUES**

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This examination consists of 17 questions on 2 pages

Marks

Q. No

Time: 3 hours

Value Earned

1	Define 10 of the following terms for two marks each. a) Caucus b) Federal System c) Constituency d) Unwritten constitution e) Third Party f) Cabinet solidarity g) Free vote h) Pressure Group i) Shadow Cabinet j) Senate reform k) By-election l) Responsible government	20	
2	Describe the various roles and responsibilities of the Speaker of the House of Commons.	3	
3	Describe three powers held by each level of government, federal and provincial, under sections 91 and 92 of the Canadian constitution. Also, describe one area of shared responsibility.	4	
4	Discuss how a bill becomes a law in Canada's Federal Parliament.	7	
5	The Conservative Party of Canada is presently clinging to power with a minority government in Ottawa. Discuss two possible ways the opposition could defeat the government in the House of Commons and force another federal election.	4	
6	Outline the main provisions of the <i>Charter of Rights and Freedoms</i> .	4	
7	Assess the various mechanisms whereby Canadians can influence public policy.	5	

8	It has been mentioned in the media that Prime Minister Stephen Harper is interested in the “devolution” of more power to the provinces. Describe one area you feel should be devolved to the provinces and explain why.	3	
9	Outline the reason for the creation of : a) The <i>Indian Act</i> . b) Indian Reserves. c) Indian Residential Schools.	6	
10	Explain the significance of Aboriginal title and rights as they relate to the Royal Proclamation of 1763.	4	
11	Discuss the creation of and evolution of : a) Specific Claims. b) Comprehensive Claims.	6	
12	Compare and contrast the outcomes of the James Bay, Inuvialuit, Council for Yukon Indians and the Nisga’a Agreements. Especially identify the land agreement portions of the various claims.	8	
13	Provide two major recommendations of the Royal Commission on Aboriginal Treaties and explain how the Commission recommendations were received by the Federal Government.	6	
14	Outline the major issue and final decision of each of the following important Aboriginal court cases: (a) The Calder Case. (b) The Guerin Case. (c) The Sparrow Case. (d) The Delgamuukw Case.	8	
15	Explain the importance of section 35 of the <i>Constitution Act, 1982</i> .	4	
16	Describe the six steps of the BC Treaty negotiation process.	6	
17	What is the Indian Land Registry System?	2	
Total Marks:		100	