



INDIAN SCHOOL AL WADI AL KABIR

Class: VIII	Department: Social Science	Sub: Civics
Worksheet No: 8	Topic: Why Do We Need a Parliament?	Year: 2022-23

1	Multiple Choice Questions: -
1	Who makes laws for the country? (a) The government (b) Advocates (c) University (d) Citizens.
2	Who have to follow laws of the country? (a) The government (b) Foreigners (c) Everyone who lives in the country (d) Advocates.
3	Which of the following are the powers of the government? (a) To make decisions (b) To enforce its decisions (c) To collect revenue (d) All of these.
4	What can the people do if they feel that a particular law is not being followed? (a) They may approach the court (b) They cannot do anything (c) They can increase the amount of taxes (d) They may approach the foreign governments.
5	Which one of the following refers to Universal Adult Franchise? (a) All women in the country are allowed to vote (b) All handicaps of the country are allowed to vote (c) All adults of the country are allowed to vote (d) There is no need to vote in the country
II	Fill in the blanks: -
6	In a the people give the powers to the government to make laws. Ans: Country
7	Modern Democratic government is called Ans: representative democracies
8	In a monarchy, the do not have to explain their actions to the people. Ans: kings and queens
9	In India, before independence only a was allowed to vote. Ans: small minority.
III	Very short answer type questions: -
10	Which is the very important way through which the Parliament controls the executive? During Question Hour MPs can elicit information about the working of the government.
11	Who selects ministers to work with him/her to implement decisions? The Prime Minister selects the ministers.
12	What does the Parliament enable the citizen of India to? Parliament enables citizens of India to participate in decision making and control the govt.
13	What all does the Parliament consists of in India? Parliament consists of the President, Rajya Sabha and the Lok Sabha in India.
IV	Answer in brief: -
14	Why do we need a government? Give two reasons. We need a government to make decisions and get the things done, e g., <ul style="list-style-type: none">• they can build roads and schools.• they may think of ways to increase the supply of electricity.

- it runs trains and post and telegraph services.

15 **Observe the picture given below and answer the following questions:**



1. What does the picture show?
2. Is it that much necessary to carry polling material in such conditions?

Ans: 1. It shows the election staff using an elephant to carry polling material and EVM's to polling stations located in difficult terrain.

2. Yes.

16 **How are the representatives elected to the Parliament of India?**

- The Parliament in our system has immense powers because it is the representatives of the people.
- The Lok Sabha is usually elected once in every five years.
- The country is divided into numerous constituencies. The people of these constituencies elect one person to the Parliament.
- The candidates who contest elections usually belong to different political parties.
- Once elected, these candidates become Members of Parliament or MPs.
- These MPs together constitute the Parliament.

17 **Look at the picture given below and answer the following questions:**



1. What does the picture show?
2. Around how much trees were saved after the use of EVM's in 2004?

Ans: 1. It shows voter reading instructions on how to use an EVM (i.e. Electronic Voting Machine).

2. The use of EVM in 2004 saved around 1,50,000 trees.

18 **Observe the picture given below and answer the following questions:**



1. What does the picture show?
2. Which is known as the supreme law-making institution?
3. How many houses are there in the Parliament? Name them.

Ans:

1. The picture shows the Parliament of India (Sangsad).
2. The Parliament of India (Sangsad) is the supreme law-making institution.
3. It has 2 houses

- The Rajya Sabha
- The Lok Sabha.