

**ASSOCIATION OF CANADA LANDS SURVEYORS
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**PROFESSIONAL EXAMS - ITEM 3
GOVERNMENT STRUCTURES AND ABORIGINAL GOVERNMENT ISSUES**

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This examination consists of 22 questions on 2 pages

<u>Q. No</u>		<u>Marks</u>	
		<u>Time: 3 hours</u>	<u>Value Earned</u>
1.	What is sovereignty? Describe four historical steps since Confederation that have made Canada a sovereign country.	6	
2.	What were the original responsibilities of the Senate of Canada?	4	
3.	Discuss how a bill becomes a law in Canada's Federal Parliament.	6	
4.	Explain the role of the Speaker in the House of Commons.	4	
5.	Explain the concept of "responsible government".	4	
6.	In what ways has the ethnic composition of Canada changed since World War II and explain how this has impacted Canadian politics.	6	
7.	List three powers of the federal government as described in section 91 and three powers of the provincial government in section 92 of the <u>Canada Act, 1867</u> (formally known as the <u>BNA Act, 1867</u>). Also, indicate what the residual clause of the constitution is.	6	
8.	What is proroguing Parliament and describe how it impacts Parliamentary Supremacy.	4	
9.	Explain the term "party solidarity" as it pertains to Canadian politics.	4	
10.	Explain the reasons and outcomes for the Quebec referendums of 1980 and 1995. Also, comment on the possibility of a future referendum in Quebec.	6	
11.	Explain the significance of Aboriginal title and rights, as they relate to the Royal Proclamation of 1763.	4	
12.	Describe who is a Status Indian under the <u>Indian Act</u> .	2	
13.	Explain two assimilationist policies that were implemented by the Government of Canada on First Nations people.	4	

14 .	Name one First Nations Treaty concluded before confederation, two concluded between Confederation and 1976, and two after 1976.	6	
15 .	Discuss that significance of the Delgamuukw Case and why it is widely held as a landmark decision in the interpretation of aboriginal rights and title.	4	
16 .	Distinguish between specific and comprehensive claims.	4	
17 .	Outline the major issue and final decision of each of the following important Aboriginal court cases: a) the Guerin Case. b) the Sparrow Case c) the Calder Case	6	
18	What was the main issue surrounding the Oka Crisis and how was the conflict finally resolved?	4	
19 .	Describe the history and origin of the Nisga'a Treaty that was ratified in 1998 in British Columbia.	6	
20 .	Identify the three parties involved in the British Columbia Treaty Process and explain the role of the BC Treaty Commission plays in the Treaty process.	4	
21 .	What are interim measures?	2	
22 .	The first mobile homes are finally being transported and installed in the Aboriginal community of Attawapiskat but they are being viewed as temporary relief or a "band aid solution". Comment on what the Government of Canada must do, in the long term, to support improved living conditions and quality of life of Aboriginal peoples.	4	
	Total Marks:	100	