Soc 11 Government Q’s Assignment 4

1. Explain the terms in relation to Canada’s system of government:
2. Constitutional Monarchy
3. Representative Democracy
4. Federal System
5. Create a diagram showing the relationship among Federal, Provincial and Municipal Governments.
6. Describe the main purposes of each of the three readings of a bill during its passage into law.
7. (Page 250 Figure 10-2) What is the average voter turnout in Federal Elections for this period? The voting average for Provincial elections and for Municipal elections in lower than average. How would you explain this? Why do you think voter has dropped so drastically since 1988?
8. Why is it important to have rules governing election spending? What other rules would you like to see imposed on election campaigns?
9. In some countries, like Australia, Voting in elections is compulsory for eligible voters. Do you think Canada should adopt this system? Why or why not?
10. Because of the size of the country and the number of time zones, results of federal elections in the east are announced half an hour before voting stations are closed in British Columbia. Some people argue that this can influence the way people in the west vote. Do you consider this a problem that should be addressed? Why or why not?
11. Do you think the voting age should be lowered to seventeen? Prepare a letter to send to your member of parliament to explain your opinion.
12. An election, it is often said, is won on the backs of the volunteers. What kinds of jobs are done to get someone elected in Canadian elections? How important do you think volunteers are in running election campaigns? Why might people volunteer to work in a campaign?
13. Reading a table (Page 254 Figure 10-10)
14. In which year did the governing party win 50% of the vote?
15. Explain how the liberal party formed the government in 1997 with less than 40% of the vote.
16. Explain how in 1993 the Bloc Quebecois became the opposition party when the reform party gained a larger number of votes.
17. Why do you think the present system of voting causes regional dissent in Canada? \*\*Explain your answer\*\*