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Answer Key: Your Global Blueprint: A 6th Grade World Government Quiz

Learners identify how different countries organize power and leaders, making this an ideal formative assessment for comparing international political structures.

1. In a country like Japan, the head of government is a Prime Minister chosen by the legislature (the Diet). What type of system is this?

Answer: B) Parliamentary System

In parliamentary systems, the executive branch (the Prime Minister) is chosen from and is accountable to the legislative branch.

2. In a _____ system, such as the one in Mexico, power is shared between the central national government and smaller state governments.

Answer: C) Federal

A federal system, like Mexico's or Australia's, divides power between different levels of government so one group doesn't have all the control.

3. True or False: In a democracy, citizens usually have the right to vote for their leaders and voice their opinions freely.

Answer: A) True

Democracy is built on citizen participation, typically through voting for representatives and exercising personal freedoms.

4. Which of these describes an Authoritarian government, like the one found in Belarus?

Answer: C) A single leader or small group holds most of the power

Authoritarian systems are defined by centralized control where political freedoms are limited and power stays with a few individuals.

5. In Thailand, there is a King who serves as a symbol of the country, but the laws are made by an elected group. This is called a Constitutional _____.

Answer: B) Monarchy

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A constitutional monarchy has a royal figure as a ceremonial head of state, while elected officials run the actual government.

6. True or False: In a Unitary system, like the one in Norway, the central government in the capital city holds the primary power over the whole country.

Answer: A) True

Unlike federal systems, unitary systems keep most decision-making power at the national level rather than giving it to local states.

7. Kenya is a Republic. What is one major feature of many Republics?

Answer: C) The head of state is usually an elected official

In most republics, including Kenya or South Korea, the head of state is a president or elected representative rather than a monarch.

8. A system where only one political party is allowed to exist and run for office is often called a _____ system.

Answer: B) Single-party

Single-party systems, like the one in Vietnam, do not allow opposition parties to compete for power in the government.

9. True or False: In an Absolute Monarchy, like Oman, the King or Sultan has total control over the government and the people.

Answer: A) True

Absolute monarchs have unrestricted power, meaning they do not have to follow a constitution or share power with a parliament.

10. If you live in a country where the leader is chosen directly by the people in a national vote, you are likely in a:

Answer: A) Presidential Democracy

In countries like Indonesia or the Philippines, a presidential system often involves the direct or semi-direct election of the executive leader by the people.