Study Guide: Government Test

Terms (know what these words mean): (Multiple choice or True/False)

- Democracy
- Party platform
- Majority Government
- Minority Government
- Official Opposition
- Federal System of government
- Vote of non-confidence

Need to know: (Multiple Choice or True/False)

- How the written & unwritten constitution limit the government's powers
- If the Senate has the power to reject bills
- What a Member of Parliament is
- What the eligible voting age is
- What the Speaker in the House of Commons does
- What the three branches of Canada's government are (legislative, executive, judicial)
- What the three **levels** of our government are (federal, provincial, municipal)
- The process of a bill becoming a law
- What the Constitution Act of 1867 accomplished
- Who makes up the executive branch
- Role of the Prime Minister
- What changes to our constitution are called
- Some things that each level of government is responsible for (education, health, etc...)
- What the Governor General does
- Who our Head of State is (the Queen)
- Who controls debate in the House of Commons
- What Cabinet Ministers do
- When the Charter of Rights & Freedoms was enshrined in the Constitution (what year?)
- Who appoints Senators?

Short Answer:

Be able to give a description of:

- The Legislative Branch of government (who is a part of it, what does it do?)
- Three rights that exist in the Chart of Rights and Freedoms
- Explain the difference between "Right-wing" and "Left-wing"
- Communism who was the "father" of it, and what are the ideas of it?