

# Lesson Quiz 17-1

## Political Parties

**DIRECTIONS: True/False** In the blank, indicate whether the statement is true (T) or false (F).

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. A nation with an authoritarian government often has a two-party system.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. A multi-party system tends to require the building of coalitions to govern.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. The two current major parties in the United States were originally one party.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. A third party that focuses solely on the legalization of certain banned substances would be considered an ideological party.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. Third-party candidates running for president must gather voter signatures to be placed on the ballot in each state.

**DIRECTIONS: Multiple Choice** Indicate the answer choice that best completes the statement or answers the question.

- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. A candidate from the Green Party in the United States runs for the presidency to bring attention to issues involving the environment and social justice. The Green Party could be considered which of these?
- A. ideological party  
B. major party  
C. single-issue party  
D. splinter party
- \_\_\_\_\_ 7. Which of these statements is true about political parties?
- A. A political party exists solely to gain power in government.  
B. All candidates within a party share the same values and ideas.  
C. Each political party relies on many citizen volunteers during elections.  
D. Those who give large sums of money to a party will always be rewarded with jobs.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 8. What event led to the dominance of two parties in the American political system?
- A. American Revolution  
B. Civil War  
C. Great Depression  
D. World War II
- \_\_\_\_\_ 9. Which of the systems described below is most likely to produce a government that is shaped by the widest variety of viewpoints and ideologies?
- A. a system in which many parties with the same religious ideology are allowed to run  
B. a system in which one party always wins elections with nearly 100% of the vote  
C. a system in which the parties within the coalition government change after each election  
D. a system in which two parties trade power based on election results
- \_\_\_\_\_ 10. Which of these would be a major barrier to the success of a candidate running as a member of the Reform Party in the United States?
- A. Other third-party candidates are likely to be running as well.  
B. Proportional representation exists in some areas.  
C. Third-parties rarely qualify for public financing.  
D. Votes for this candidate may negatively impact a major candidate.