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Tasmanian state elections

Quiz no. 1

House of Assembly

Your name:

INSTRUCTIONS: For each of the 10 questions, circle the letter that indicates the most correct answer.

1. The House of Assembly electorate that includes Launceston, George Town and Flinders Island is –
 - a. Bazz
 - b. Bass

2. Tasmania's largest electorate, which includes Port Sorell on the north coast, Bicheno on the east coast, Campbell Town in the centre and Sorell, Bridgewater and New Norfolk in the south, is –
 - a. Lyons
 - b. Lions

3. Tasmania's second-largest electorate, which includes the north-west coast and the west coast, is –
 - a. Braddern
 - b. Braddon

4. The electorate that includes the Huon Valley, Bruny Island, Kingston and, on the other side of the Derwent River, Rokeby, the City of Clarence, Old Beach, Richmond and Sorell, is –
 - a. Franklin
 - b. Frankling

5. Tasmania's smallest electorate, which extends from Austins Ferry to Bonnet Hill and includes the Glenorchy and Hobart areas, is –
 - a. Denison
 - b. Dennison

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6. An "electorate" is the area from which a particular Member of Parliament is elected. Another word used officially for "electorate" is –

- a. section
- b. division
- c. region

7. The two houses of parliament in Tasmania are –

- a. the House of Assembly and the Legislative Assembly
- b. the House of Assembly and the Legislative Council
- c. the House of Representatives and the Legislative Assembly
- d. the House of Review and the Legislative Council

8. The number of members elected to the House of Assembly is –

- a. 15
- b. 25
- c. 35

9. House of Assembly elections are held –

- a. within four years of the previous election
- b. four years after the previous election
- c. every six years

10. In Tasmania, the House of Assembly electorates are multiple-member divisions rather than single-member divisions: the electors choose five members from their electorate, rather than just one member. The order in which the voters number the candidates on the ballot paper is very important because this voting system uses these preferences to enable the range of different views of the electors to be reflected the overall group of members elected to the House of Assembly. This system is known as –

- a. the Hare-Clark system
- b. the harebrained scheme
- c. the splitting hairs method

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