Cabinet Selection

Your party just won the federal election and you have become Canada's Prime Minister! One of your first duties is to select members from your party to form a cabinet. A *cabinet minister* is given additional duties to their role as an MP. They will be trusted individuals who will create policy for specific departments. A list of 30 names has been forwarded to you. You must fill 20 cabinet positions.

| Minister of | Job Description (responsible for) | Choice # |
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| Finance | - plans & prepares Canada's budget, collection, & distribution of money | |
| Health | - make Canada the world's healthiest nations through research, management of resources, promoting healthy living & disease prevention | |
| Defence | - management & direction of the Canadian Armed Forces & all matters of national defence | |
| Foreign Affairs | - strengthening Canada's commitment for a secure world & promoting human rights; create treaties & partnerships with nations | |
| Justice | - ensure Canada is a law-abiding society with a fair & just legal system; promote respect for Constitution and Charter of Rights | |
| International Trade | - developing trade policies between Canada & other countries | |
| Industry | - foster a competitive & strong economy / marketplace through policy, investment, technology & research | |
| Environment | - keeping Canada's water, land, & air clean for this & future generations | |
| Human Resources & - supporting Canadians to make choices, helping them live productive lives & improve quality of life | | |
| Transport, Infrastructure & Communities | - improving transportation & infrastructure in communities | |
| Agriculture | - provide programs to achieve security of the food system along with research & technology to help farmers | |
| Fisheries & Oceans | - deliver programs & services that support sustainable use & development of Canada's waterways & aquatic resources | |
| Small Business & Tourism | - develop initiatives to support small business & tourism | |
| Sport | - help Canadians participate & excel in sport | |
| Indian Affairs & Northern Development | - improve social & economic well-being of Aboriginals; develop healthy sustainable Aboriginal communities | |
| Citizenship & Immigration | - immigration rules & promoting full participation of new Canadians in the economic, social & democratic life of Canada | |

| Name: | | | | | |
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| | Cabinet Selection Reflection Questions | | | | |
| 1. | How many of your new cabinet ministers are men? women? (2 marks for gender-balance cabinet) | | | | |
| 2. | How many of your new cabinet ministers are from the (2 marks for location-balance cabinet) | | | | |
| | Western provinces? | Ontario? | | | |
| | Quebec? | Eastern provinces? | | | |
| | Territories? | | | | |
| 3. | Do you have a variety of ethnicities represented in your cabinet? Explain. (2 marks) | | | | |
| 4. | Do you think cabinet members should be bil | lingual? Why or why not? (2 marks) | | | |
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5. Do you think the Canadian public would be happy with your cabinet? Why? (2 marks)

Candidates for Cabinet Positions

- 1. Accountant Ottawa female bilingual Haitian descent
- 2. Furniture Business London male anglophone
- 3. Owner of Steel Company Hamilton male anglophone
- 4. Lawyer Montreal female bilingual
- 5. Dairy Farmer Sherbrooke female francophone
- 6. Accountant Halifax male anglophone
- 7. Social Worker Fredericton female bilingual French
- 8. Grain Farmer Saskatchewan male anglophone
- 9. High School Teacher Calgary female anglophone Italian
- 10. Pilot Waterloo male bilingual
- 11. Union Organizer for Automotive Industry Windsor male anglophone Ukrainian
- 12. Lawyer Winnipeg male bilingual Métis
- 13. Insurance Claims Adjuster Sudbury female bilingual
- 14. Corporate Lawyer Montreal male bilingual
- 15. Stockbroker Toronto male bilingual African Canadian
- 16. Career Politician (25 years as an MP) Cornwall -male bilingual
- 17. Chair of B.C. Wilderness Foundation Vancouver female anglophone
- 18. Elementary School Principal Charlottetown female bilingual German
- 19. Business Consultant London male bilingual Polish
- 20. Professor of Aboriginal History Toronto female bilingual American born
- 21. Chair of Cumberland Township Housing Corp. male anglophone
- 22. Headed Charities & Foundations for Medical Research Ottawa female bilingual
- 23. Graduate in History & loyal party supporter Saskatoon female anglophone
- 24. Former Olympic Athlete Quebec City female bilingual
- 25. Journalist for Newspaper Toronto female speaks 5 languages Arab descent
- 26. History Professor specializes in International Politics Calgary male bilingual
- 27. Former Factory Worker Montreal male francophone
- 28. Lawyer specializes in Small Claims Edmonton male anglophone East Indian
- 29. Owner of a Chain of Pet Shops St. John's male Anglophone
- 30. Former City Councillor & Mayor Halifax male anglophone