

What Is the Whip? - Quiz

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Q1. What is the primary role of a political whip?

- A. To lead the legislative body
- B. To enforce party discipline
- C. To serve as a liaison to the executive branch
- D. To draft new legislation

Q2. Where did the term 'whip' originate from?

- A. A tool used in farming
- B. A technique in English fox hunting
- C. A military rank
- D. A type of parliamentary document

Q3. In which country does the government chief whip also serve in the Cabinet?

- A. United States
- B. Republic of Ireland
- C. United Kingdom
- D. South Korea

Q4. How many whips are there in the United States federal legislature?

- A. Two
- B. Four
- C. Six
- D. Eight

Q5. What is a 'three-line whip'?

- A. A non-binding guidance on a vote
- B. A partially binding instruction to attend and vote
- C. A mandatory attendance and voting requirement under penalty
- D. A type of legislative document

Q6. Which of the following is NOT a duty of a political whip?

- A. Ensuring quorum
- B. Drafting new laws
- C. Enforcing party discipline
- D. Whipping the vote

Q7. In which type of government is a whip rarely seen?

- A. Democracies
- B. Republics
- C. Dictatorships
- D. Parliamentary systems

Q8. What does a 'double-line whip' require?

- A. Mandatory attendance and voting
- B. Non-binding guidance
- C. Instructions to attend and vote on the party line
- D. No specific requirements

Q9. Which country combines the role of party whip with the legislative leader?

- A. United Kingdom
- B. South Korea
- C. United States
- D. Republic of Ireland

Q10. What can a whip do in governments where they have the most power?

- A. Assign members to committees
- B. Censure members who stray from the party line
- C. Remove a member from the party
- D. All of the above

Answer Key

- 1. Q1: B
- 2. Q2: B
- 3. Q3: C
- 4. Q4: B
- 5. Q5: C
- 6. Q6: B
- 7. Q7: C
- 8. Q8: C
- 9. Q9: B
- 10. Q10: D