

Questions and Answers Game

1. How many electors does each member of the Nova Scotia House of Assembly represent?

2. How many provincial electoral districts are there in Nova Scotia?

3. How does a candidate win the seat for an electoral district?

4. Do the electoral district boundaries change? Why would they change? Who decides on the changes?

5. How big or small can an electoral district be?



JOSEPH HOWE, journalist, politician, and public servant (1804-1873)

6. How many polling stations are there across Nova Scotia on election day during a provincial general election?

7. There is no need for voting to take place in buildings with level access. Do you agree or disagree, and what are your reasons?

8. Who is responsible for conducting a provincial election in Nova Scotia? Why is it important that an election be conducted by an independent agency?

9. Who can vote in a provincial election?

10. Could a polling station be set up in your school?

11. Who can vote at the advance polls?

12. Where can you find out about the rules governing provincial elections?

13. On what day of the week are provincial elections held in Nova Scotia?

14. What rules must a person follow to become a candidate?

15. How many recognized provincial political parties are there in Nova Scotia?

16. Why do you think candidates must keep a record and report all contributions of \$200 or more that they receive?

17. How many provincial general elections have there been in Nova Scotia since Confederation?

18. Who first had the right to vote in Nova Scotia?

19. In what year was the secret ballot first used? How did people vote before this? What problems might there be with this less formal method of voting?

20. When did women become eligible to vote in Nova Scotia provincial elections?

21. When did Aboriginal persons living on reserves obtain the right to vote?

22. Statistics show that young electors participate less often in elections than older people do. Why do you think this might be?

