



# Three Levels of Government

**These children are running a race through their home town and pass many ways in which government affects their lives. Flip the page and find 5 ways that government affects your life!**

## Federal Government

Canada is a federation made up of 10 provinces and 3 territories. The federal government is made up of people from all parts of Canada, and the head of the federal government is the Prime Minister. This level of government is responsible for matters that affect all Canadians such as national defence for air, land and sea, postal service, policing, printing money and financial institutions, legal system, and parks.

## Provincial Government

British Columbia is one of Canada's 10 provinces. The provincial government is made up of people from all parts of British Columbia, and the head of the provincial government is the Premier. This level of government is responsible for matters that affect all British Columbians such as education, health care, policing, legal system, public transportation, parks, child welfare, and labour.

## Local Government

Cities, regions, and towns are examples of local government, sometimes called municipal government. Local government is made up of people from your neighbourhood, town or city, and the head is the Mayor. This level of government is responsible for local matters such as recycling, policing, libraries, fire fighting, sewers and roads, public transportation, snow and garbage removal, traffic and parks.

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Provincial 1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_ 4. \_\_\_\_\_ 5. \_\_\_\_\_

Local 1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_ 4. \_\_\_\_\_ 5. \_\_\_\_\_

