



Legislative Council Challenge

Name

Class

Date of Visit

Quiz 1:

How much do you know about the Legislative Council?

- 1 The venue where Legislative Council meetings are held.

A C E H M R B



Rearrange the letters to form a word about the Legislative Council.

- 2 It considers the general merits, principles and details of a bill.

I L S B L
M O I E M T C T E

- 3 It receives and handles complaints from the public on government actions or policies.

R S E R E D S
S E M S T Y

- 4 A bill must go through this procedure to complete its proceedings in the Council.

E R T E H
D I A E R G N

- 5 In Article 73, it states the powers and functions of the Legislative Council.

C A S I B W A L



- 6 It examines and approves public expenditure proposals.

I N N F A C E
O M M T E I T E C

- 7 Members of this Panel discuss the models and timetables for selecting the Chief Executive and for forming the Legislative Council by universal suffrage.

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F F A A S I R

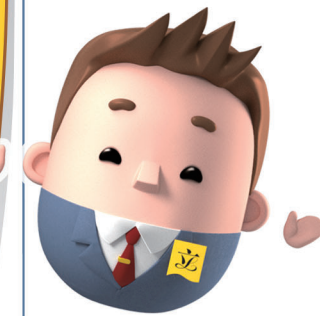
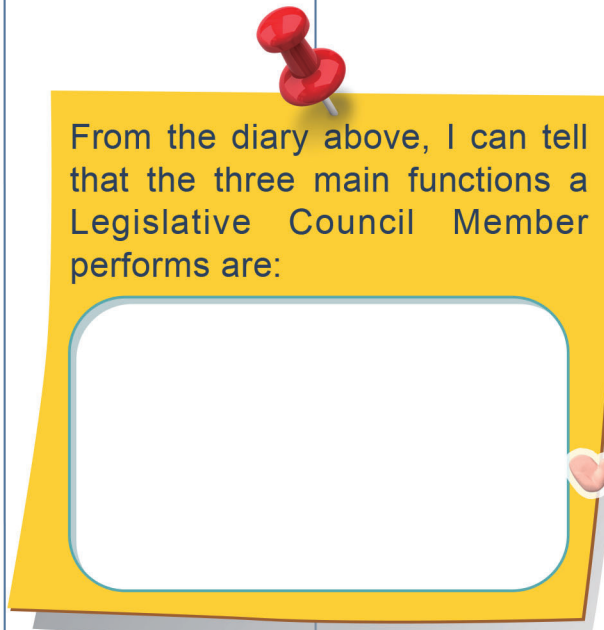
- 8 The day of the week when the Council normally meets.

E D N W E D Y A S

Quiz 2: Weekly Diary of a Member

Assuming that you are an assistant to a Member, please help to fill in the Weekly Diary.

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
<p>8:30 am</p> <p>Conf. Room 1</p> <p>Panel meeting</p> <p>To meet with public officers and deputations from the education sector</p>	<p>8:30 am</p> <p>Conf. Room 2</p> <p>Committee meeting</p> <p>To consider the Director of Audit's reports</p>	<p>11:00 am</p> <p>Chamber</p> <p>Legislative Council meeting</p> <p>To speak on a [] in the Second Reading debate</p> <p>To move a [] on food safety</p>	<p>10:30 am</p> <p>Chamber</p> <p>Question and Answer Session</p> <p>To raise a question on social welfare</p>	<p>2:30 pm</p> <p>Conf. Room 1</p> <p>meeting</p> <p>To decide whether a Bills Committee should be formed</p>
<p>10:45 am</p> <p>Conf. Room 3</p> <p>Bills Committee meeting</p> <p>To study []</p>	<p>10:00 am</p> <p>Public Complaints Office</p> <p>Meeting with a deputation</p> <p>To listen to the views of a deputation on a complaint</p>	<p>From the diary above, I can tell that the three main functions a Legislative Council Member performs are:</p> <p>[]</p>		<p>3:00 pm</p> <p>Conf. Room 1</p> <p>Finance Committee meeting</p> <p>To examine [] proposals</p>
<p>12:45 pm</p> <p>[]</p> <p>Luncheon</p> <p>To meet and exchange views with District Council members</p>				



After the reunification, the Legislative Council has two additional functions. They are:

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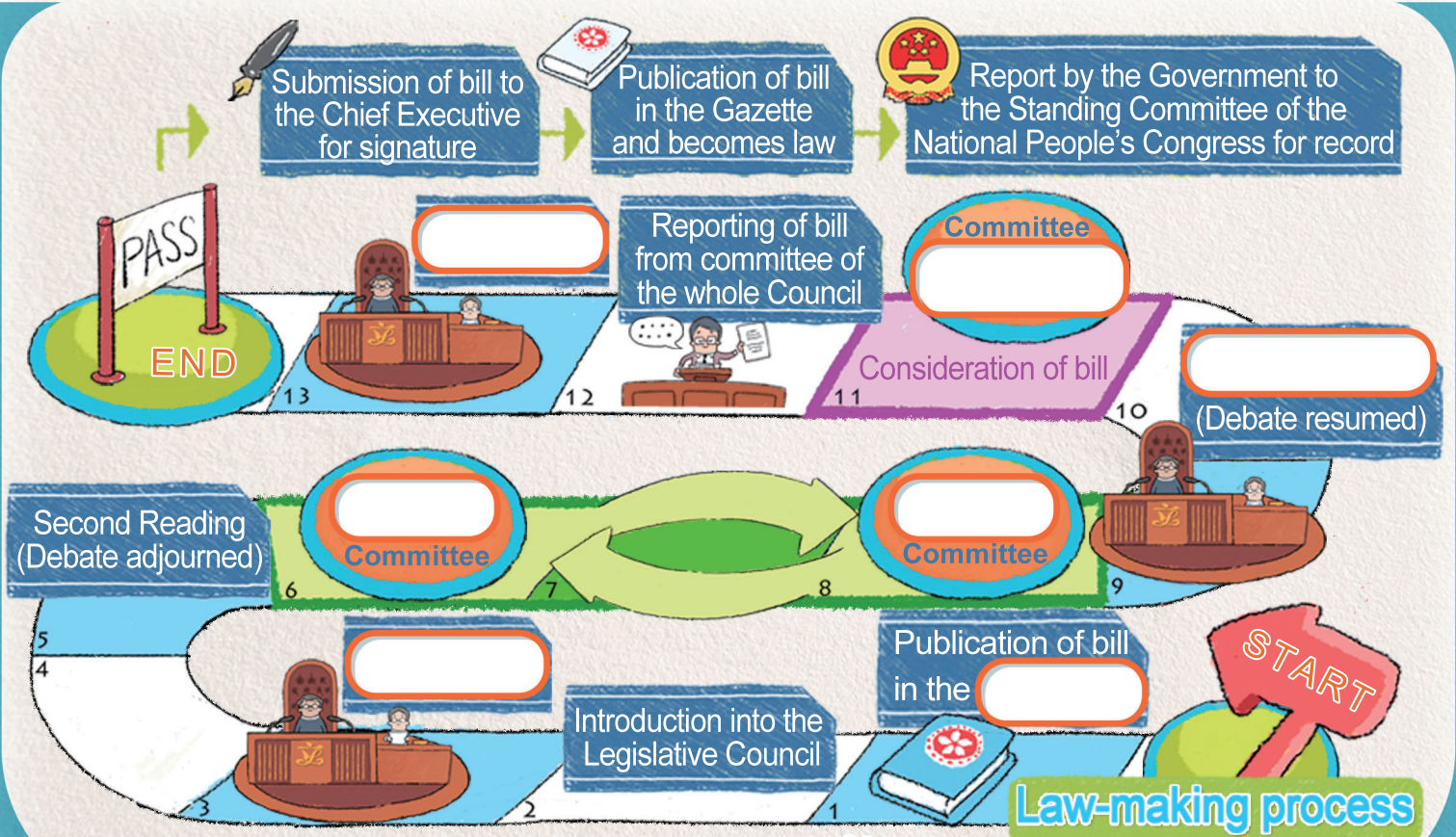
Having gained an understanding of the powers and functions of the Legislative Council, do you think that the Council can monitor the Government and play a check and balance role? (You may refer to Articles 48, 49, 50, 73, 74, and "Procedures for voting on bills and motions in the Legislative Council" in Annex II of the Basic Law.)

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Quiz 3: From Bill to Ordinance

A bill has to go through the three-reading procedure before it becomes an ordinance. Please complete the following flow-chart of the three-reading procedure.



Quiz 4: The Legislative Council and I



The Legislative Council is now in its term. There are Members in the Legislative Council, with returned by Election Committee, returned by functional constituencies, and returned by geographical constituencies through direct elections. The term of office of Members began on 1 January .

I live in geographical constituency. There are Members in my constituency. They are

If I have reached years old, I can sign up as an elector in the Legislative Council election.



Group Discussion

1. (a) How do Members vote on bills and motions?
(b) What are your views on the form of decision making adopted by the Legislative Council?
(Please refer to “Understand—Legislative Council in Brief” under the “Education” section of the Legislative Council Website (www.legco.gov.hk).)

Conclusion:

2. Identify a bill currently being debated/recently debated at the Legislative Council, and discuss “the purpose of introducing the bill”, “who will be affected?”, and “what is its current status?”.
(Please refer to “Council—Bills” under the “LegCo Business” section of the Legislative Council Website (www.legco.gov.hk).)

Conclusion:



Your Views

After your visit to the Legislative Council Complex, what are your views on the work of the Legislative Council and the facilities of the Complex?

Conclusion:

