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The Influence of Political Parties on Public Opinion and Policy Decisions

Multiple Choice Questions

1. How do political parties shape public opinion?
 - a) By limiting access to information
 - b) By presenting their platforms and policy proposals to voters
 - c) By ignoring the electorate
 - d) By imposing their views on voters

2. What is one way political parties mobilize their supporters?
 - a) By discouraging citizens from voting
 - b) By keeping their policy proposals secret
 - c) By encouraging citizens to vote and participate in campaigns
 - d) By excluding certain groups from the political process

3. How do political parties influence media coverage?
 - a) By remaining silent in the media
 - b) By providing press releases, organizing press conferences, and coordinating interviews
 - c) By avoiding public events and rallies
 - d) By boycotting the media

4. What role do political parties play when they win elections and form a government?
 - a) They have no role in policy decisions.
 - b) They implement the policies outlined in their platforms.
 - c) They stop participating in politics.
 - d) They focus solely on party fundraising.

5. How do political parties hold the ruling party or government accountable when they are not in power?
 - a) They align with the ruling party's policies.
 - b) They serve as advisors to the government.
 - c) They scrutinize the government's actions and advocate for alternatives.
 - d) They withdraw from the political process.

