



Transferring Power



House of Commons (Total 308 Seats):

Conservative: 127
Liberal: 95
Bloc Québécois: 48
New Democratic Party: 30
Green: 1
Independent: 3
Vacant: 4



Frank Underwood,
Leader of the Conservative Party,
currently heads the government as
prime minister

You have just been chosen as leader for the Green Party, but you want more.

Within your group, devise a plan to become prime minister of Canada **democratically** and **without triggering an election**. In order to be successful in this activity, you must be able to demonstrate to the teacher that you have understood Canada's Constitution (including the unwritten conventions of responsible government) by employing them in your situation.

Some things to consider:

- How are governments formed?
- What type of government is this?
- What is responsible government?
- How will you entice other members of parliament to join you?

Claire Underwood,
Leader of the Green Party

