

19. The **Speaker** is the person chosen by the House of Commons to preside over its sessions. He must be a member of the House.

20. To **adjourn** Parliament is to dismiss the members to meet again at a certain time, when they may resume any unfinished business as if there had been no adjournment.

21. To **prorogue** Parliament is to close it at the end of a session. Any unfinished business held over for another session must be taken up as if nothing had been done about it.

22. To **dissolve** Parliament is to dismiss the members and call a new or general election.

23. The Sovereign convenes, prorogues and dissolves Parliament; but Parliament adjourns at its own pleasure.

24. The **Speech from the Throne** is the address of the Sovereign at the opening of Parliament. It is prepared by the Ministry, and reviews the work of the year, speaks of the foreign relations of the nation, and mentions the important questions which are to be brought up for consideration during the Session.

25. A **Policy** is a statement by a party of its views on the questions of the day. Each point is called a **Plank**, and the whole policy is the **Platform** of the party.

26. The **Fiscal Policy** of a nation is the plan adopted by the Government for the purpose of raising a revenue.

27. The **Budget** is the financial statement made by the Chancellor of the Exchequer at each session of Parliament.

28. By the **Estimates** we mean the statement made to Parliament of the expected receipts and