

Citizenship in Practice

Name: _____

Class / Period: _____

Date: _____

Directions

Citizenship involves more than one action or belief. For each scenario below:

1. Decide whether the person demonstrates
 Good Citizenship Poor Citizenship Mixed Citizenship
2. Explain **why**, using civic principles such as:
 - Participation
 - Responsibility
 - Rule of law
 - Community involvement
 - Respect for others

There are **no single correct answers**. Your grade is based on the **quality of your reasoning**, not the label you choose.

Scenario 1: Beth

Beth works full time at a local daycare. The pay is modest, but she is able to bring her two preschool children with her at a discounted rate. She regularly volunteers at a neighborhood food pantry. Beth is not registered to vote and has never voted in an election.

Citizenship Rating: Good Poor Mixed

Explanation:

Scenario 2: Mark

Mark is a high school teacher who sponsors an academic club. In his free time, he enjoys gardening and attending conventions related to his hobbies. When a proposed law affecting one of his interests was introduced, Mark helped organize and participate in a peaceful protest at the state capital.

Citizenship Rating: Good Poor Mixed

Explanation:

Scenario 3: Janet

Janet left school at an early age and currently receives government assistance. She closely follows political issues, is registered to vote, and participates in every election. She also attends rallies and supports political causes she believes in.

Citizenship Rating: Good Poor Mixed

Explanation:

Scenario 4: Bill

Bill lives a largely self-sufficient lifestyle on a rural property. He avoids most modern institutions and chooses not to participate in politics, media, or community events. He follows the law but remains disengaged from civic life.

Citizenship Rating: Good Poor Mixed

Explanation:

Scenario 5: Suzie

Suzie is a high school student who earns strong grades. However, she frequently ignores school rules she disagrees with, including dress code and technology policies, and openly challenges authority without using established channels for change.

Citizenship Rating: Good Poor Mixed

Explanation:

Scenario 6: Ray

Ray works informal jobs for cash and avoids long-term employment. He participates in every election but does not consistently meet his financial obligations to others.

Citizenship Rating: Good Poor Mixed

Explanation:

Scenario 7: Barbara

Barbara owns a small personal-care business. Due to financial strain, she has delayed required tax payments and made cost-cutting decisions that may conflict with public health regulations.

Citizenship Rating: Good Poor Mixed

Explanation:
