## From Bill to Act of Parliament – Fill in the Gaps

THE UK: LEARNING THE LANGUAGE, STUDYING THE CULTURE 9. The Westminster system: complete the diagram below with the following key vocabulary. examine legislation law debated formally consultation assent amendments veto principles From Bill to Act of Parliament Act of Parliament The Bill becomes an Act of Parliament and a 10. ..... of the land. Monarch The Monarch gives the Bill Royal 9. ..... House of Lords The House of Lords deliberates and suggests amendments (to non-finance Bills), but since 1911 cannot 8. ...... a Bill. Third Reading The last time a Bill is fully 7. ..... in the House of Commons. Report Stage (amendments) MPs suggest 6. ..... which they believe will improve the quality of the legislation. Committee Stage The stage when Members of Parliament 5. ..... the Bill line by line. Second Reading A debate is conducted on the general 4. ..... of the Bill. First Reading (formal introduction) The Bill is 3. ..... presented to Parliament for the first time. No debate takes place at the first reading. House of Commons Preliminary White Paper A White Paper is a document issued by a government department which contains detailed proposals for 2..... Preliminary Green Paper A Green Paper is a 1. ...... document issued by the government which contains policy proposals for debate.

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