

GAP FILL

Saudi Arabian women have been registering to vote for the first time in their (1) _____. Women will be able to vote in the (2) _____ council elections (3) _____ this year. They now have a 21-day period to register. The Saudi Gazette newspaper said the first woman to (4) _____ was Safinaz Abu Al-Shamat. She said she wanted to be, "the first woman to arrive at the centre" and the first woman to register. She also said it was a (5) _____ duty to take part in elections. Another woman to register early was Jamal Al-Saadi. She told reporters that: "The (6) _____ of Saudi women in the municipal elections as voters and candidates was a (7) _____ for us. We are just at the beginning of the (8) _____."

register

history

dream

city

national

road

later

participation

Letting women vote was one of the (9) _____ of King Abdullah, who died earlier this year. The Saudi government said giving women the vote was an important (10) _____. It added that it was, "a significant milestone in (11) _____. As well as being able to vote, many women also want to run for (12) _____ and take up government positions. At least 70 women want to run for office, and more than 80 have registered as (13) _____ managers. One of the women who wants to be a candidate in the December (14) _____ is 36-year-old Haifa al-Hababi. She said she would campaign with a message for (15) _____. She said that: "Change is life. The government has given us this (16) _____ and I intend to use it."

campaign

progress

change

plans

tool

office

step

elections

2. SYNONYM MATCH

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| 1. registering | a. passed away |
| 2. period | b. get to |
| 3. arrive | c. jobs |
| 4. duty | d. start |
| 5. beginning | e. time |
| 6. died | f. serious |
| 7. significant | g. push |
| 8. positions | h. signing up |
| 9. campaign | i. plan |
| 10. intend | j. responsibility |

Glossary:

register – zapisać się

vote - głosować

intend – zamierzać

significant – znaczący, ważny