

ELECTIONS

People sometimes try to _1_____ the result of an election weeks before it takes place. Several hundred people are asked which party they prefer, and their answers are used to guess the result of the coming election. This is called a(an) _2_____.

Meanwhile, each party conducts its election _3_____ with meetings, speeches, television commercials and party members going from door to door encouraging people to _4_____ their party.

In Britain, as well as in Sweden, everyone over 18 is eligible to _5_____. The place where people go to vote in an election is called a _6_____ and in Britain the day of the election is often known as _7_____. In the United States, however, most people call this day _8_____. The voters put their votes in a _9_____ box and later they are counted. The _10_____ with the most votes is then declared the winner.

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| 1. a) vote | b) elect | c) predict | d) support |
| 2. a) opinion poll | b) campaign | c) convention | d) elector |
| 3. a) campaign | b) ballot | c) candidate | d) party |
| 4. a) vote | b) improve | c) predict | d) support |
| 5. a) vote | b) elect | c) predict | d) support |
| 6. a) campaign | b) ballot box | c) by-election | d) polling station |
| 7. a) vote | b) election | c) predict | d) polling day |
| 8. a) election day | b) vote | c) president | d) party |
| 9. a) election | b) ballot | c) postal vote | d) vote |
| 10. a) voter | b) member | c) candidate | d) president |

VOCABULARY – use one word from the wordlist above to each of the lines.

