

Mexico will likely have its first female president

1. Do the vocabulary exercise:

1. Election	A) a survey; questionnaire; questions for a group of people to understand their opinion
2. Party	B) a person, usually a politician, who makes laws; legislator
3. Poll	C) an organization of people with the same political views; a group of people who work together to get political power
4. Rank	D) leader, top person, boss
5. Lawmaker	E) an agency or part of government with judges who decide what is right or wrong
6. Court	F) the leader or person in charge of a city
7. Mayor	G) a process or event in which people vote to choose a leader or winner
8. Ruling party	H) To put things in order from the best to the worst or from the most important to the least important
9. Head	I) The party that is currently in power and makes decisions

2. Read the article

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This is unexpected in the patriarchal country.

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The ruling party, the Morena party, has chosen Claudia Sheinbaum, who used to be the mayor of Mexico City, as their candidate. Sheinbaum is 61 years old, and she used to work as an environmental engineer. She was the first Jewish mayor of Mexico City and is a good friend of the current president, Andrés Manuel López Obrador, who's also a member of the party.

Gálvez is 60 years old and used to be a computer engineer before she started her own tech company. She began her career in politics as the head of the National Institute of Indigenous Peoples.

She comes from a poor part of Mexico where she helped her family sell street food. Women have been making big progress in Mexican politics lately.

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3. Make a summary of the article

4. Do the true or false exercise

1. In the upcoming Mexican presidential election, both of the main political parties have chosen women as their presidential candidates.
2. Claudia Sheinbaum, one of the presidential candidates, is a former mayor of Mexico City and an environmental engineer.
3. Xóchitl Gálvez, the other presidential candidate, has a background in computer engineering and once ran her own tech company.
4. Claudia Sheinbaum was the first Jewish mayor of Mexico City.
5. The Broad Front for Mexico is the ruling party in Mexico.
6. Women in Mexican politics have made significant progress since 2021, with nearly half of the lawmakers being women.
7. The United States ranks higher than Mexico in terms of women's representation in politics, according to the text.
8. Xóchitl Gálvez comes from a wealthy background in Mexico.
9. Claudia Sheinbaum's close friendship with the current president, Andrés Manuel López Obrador, is expected to have no impact on her candidacy.
10. The presidential election in Mexico is scheduled to take place in July next year.

5. Listen to the audio and fill in the blanks

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