

## Overall tense revision

### 1. Choose the best option to complete the sentences.

a) Learning about dictatorships \_\_\_\_\_ you appreciate the freedom we enjoy nowadays.

b) Joshua \_\_\_\_\_ in line to cast his vote for the first time.

c) We \_\_\_\_\_ so used to democracy that we take it for granted.

d) I'm working on the poll. We \_\_\_\_\_ votes for the last three hours.

e) I \_\_\_\_\_ any of the propositions, so I have no idea whom to vote for.

f) I \_\_\_\_\_ when the election results were announced.

g) Election day \_\_\_\_\_ when I turned 18, so I had to wait to be able to vote for the first time.

h) I've finally decided who I \_\_\_\_\_ for next weekend. What about you?

a. helps      is helping

e. wasn't reading      didn't read

b. waits      is waiting

f. was already sleeping      already slept

c. have grown      have been growing

g. had already passed      passed

d. have counted      have been counting

h. am going to vote      am voting

### Dica

**Present simple** - routines, general truths, facts

**Present continuous** - actions happening at the moment of speaking, future arrangements

**Present perfect simple** - from a time in the past up to the moment of speaking, experiences, recent completed actions

**Present perfect continuous** - a single activity that started in the past and is still in progress

**Past simple** - completed past actions

**Past continuous** - actions in progress at a point of time in the past

**Past perfect simple** - an action that happened before another action in the past

**Will** - predictions based on opinions, spontaneous decisions, promises

**Be going to** - predictions based on evidence, future plans, intentions

2. Rewrite the sentences replacing the underlined expressions with the ones in brackets. Use an appropriate verb tense and make all the necessary changes.

a) Political debates were broadcast on TV last week. (before every election)

*Political debates*

b) I will read the main candidates' proposals tomorrow. (now)

c) I was interested in politics when I was young. (since)

d) I distributed pamphlets yesterday. (all day)

e) I am going to join a campaign group this afternoon. (yesterday)

f) I have been working at the polls this weekend, so I couldn't go to the dinner party. (last weekend)

*I \_\_\_\_\_, so I couldn't go to the dinner party.*

g) My parents were voting when I arrived. (by the time)

*My parents \_\_\_\_\_ when I arrived.*

h) I had no idea who would win the last election. (next)

*I have no idea \_\_\_\_\_.*