

Kindergarten/Grade 1

** Can be taught over several days depending on class size and setting **

Why do we hold elections?

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Supporting Questions

1. How and why do people vote?
2. Who do we vote for?
3. What happens after the election?

Inquiry Design Model (IDM) Blueprint™

Compelling Question	Why do we hold elections?	
Standards and Practices	K.4- Children and adults have rights & responsibilities at home, school, communities, school, classroom 1.3- A citizen is a member of a community or group	
Staging the Question	Explain to students that we will not be in school tomorrow because it is Election Day and that it is important for us to know why we get the day off of school. Election Day closes schools because many schools are used as polling places.	
Supporting Question 1	Supporting Question 2	Supporting Question 3
How and why do people vote?	Who do we vote for?	What happens after the elections?
Formative Performance Task	Formative Performance Task	Formative Performance Task
Think Pair Share: Students will tell their neighbor why elections are held.	Ballot Practice: Students will practice filling in bubbles on the ballot sample.	N/A (See Summative Task Below)
Featured Sources	Featured Sources	Featured Sources
Trade Book: <i>Duck for President</i> by Doreen Cronin School House Rock Video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZFJ2e82Nvnw Sesame Street Election Day Video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LRw4iuq498Y	Erie County Sample Ballot (See Attached) Voting for Kids Video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GrG7zBUDiqQ	Byron Brown Elected Buffalo's First African American Mayor https://vimeo.com/showcase/6189369/video/353457689
Summative Performance Task	Argument	Students will defend the choice of what they will vote for.
	Extension	Students will cast votes for their cookie preference (oreo or chocolate chip). Votes will be tallied and cookies distributed.

Official General Election Ballot
 Erie County, New York
 November 5, 2019
 BFL0 DEL 008





Instructions:
 Mark the oval to the right of the name of your choice with a pen or pencil.
 To vote for a candidate whose name is not printed on the ballot, mark the oval to the right of "Write-In" and print the name clearly in the box at the bottom of the column under the title of the office.
 The number of choices is listed for each contest. Do not mark the ballot for more choices than allowed. You do not have to vote in every race.
 If you hear a deficit, or wrongly mark this ballot, call the Board of Elections at (716) 858-7818 for instructions on how to obtain a new ballot.
 Absentee Ballots postmarked by November 4th and received by the Board of Elections no later than November 12th, and November 18th for federal/infillary ballots, will be cast and counted.

SAMPLE BALLOT

OFFICE	JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT 14 Year Term VOTE FOR ANY THREE			COUNTY EXECUTIVE 4 Year Term VOTE FOR ONE	COUNTY LEGISLATOR 2 Year Term VOTE FOR ONE	CHIEF JUDGE OF THE CITY COURT 10 Year Term VOTE FOR ONE	CITY COURT JUDGE 10 Year Term VOTE FOR ANY TWO	CITY COMPTROLLER 4 Year Term VOTE FOR ONE	COUNCIL MEMBER 4 Year Term VOTE FOR ONE
Democratic ★ A	1A Democratic Diane Y. Devlin	2A Democratic Gerald J. Whalen	3A Democratic Deborah A. Haendiges	4A Democratic Mark C. Poloncarz	5A Democratic Lisa M. Chintera	6A Democratic Craig D. Hannah	7A Democratic Peter J. Savage III	9A Democratic Barbara Miller-Williams	10A Democratic Joel Feroleto
Republican B	1B Republican Gerald J. Greenan III	2B Republican Gerald J. Whalen	3B Republican Deborah A. Haendiges	4B Republican Lynne Dixon	5B Republican Juan Carlos Rivera		8B Republican Lenora B. Footle Beavers	9B Republican Ross M. Kosticky	
Conservative C	1C Conservative Gerald J. Greenan III	2C Conservative Gerald J. Whalen	3C Conservative Deborah A. Haendiges	4C Conservative Lynne Dixon					
Working Families D	1D Working Families Diane Y. Devlin	2D Working Families Gerald J. Whalen		4D Working Families Mark C. Poloncarz			8D Working Families Lenora B. Footle Beavers	9D Working Families Barbara Miller-Williams	
Green E							8E Green Lenora B. Footle Beavers		
Libertarian F									
Independence G	1G Independence Diane Y. Devlin	2G Independence Gerald J. Whalen		4G Independence Lynne Dixon			8G Independence Lenora B. Footle Beavers	9G Independence Barbara Miller-Williams	10G Independence Joel Feroleto
SAM H	1H SAM Gerald J. Greenan III			4H SAM Lynne Dixon					
WRITE-IN	Write-in: <input type="checkbox"/>	Write-in: <input type="checkbox"/>	Write-in: <input type="checkbox"/>	Write-in: <input type="checkbox"/>	Write-in: <input type="checkbox"/>	Write-in: <input type="checkbox"/>	Write-in: <input type="checkbox"/>	Write-in: <input type="checkbox"/>	Write-in: <input type="checkbox"/>

Election Ballot



To cast your vote, check one box below and write your signature next to the "x."

<input type="checkbox"/>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	

x _____
Signature

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What is Election Day?

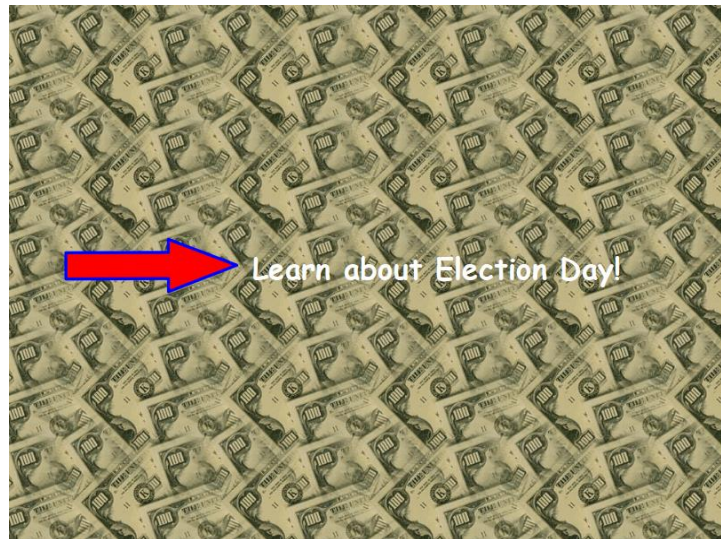


Why is Voting Important



Slide 1

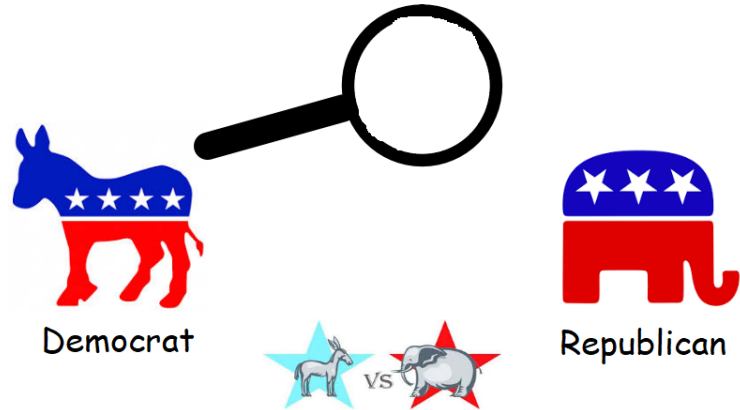
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZFJ2e82Nvnw>



Slide 2

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LRw4iuq498Y>

Use the magic magnifying glass to reveal which candidate goes with each party!



Slide 3
Political Party Discussion

Who do we vote for?

Mayor of Buffalo

Byron Brown



Governor of New York

Andrew Cuomo



President of the U.S.A Donald Trump

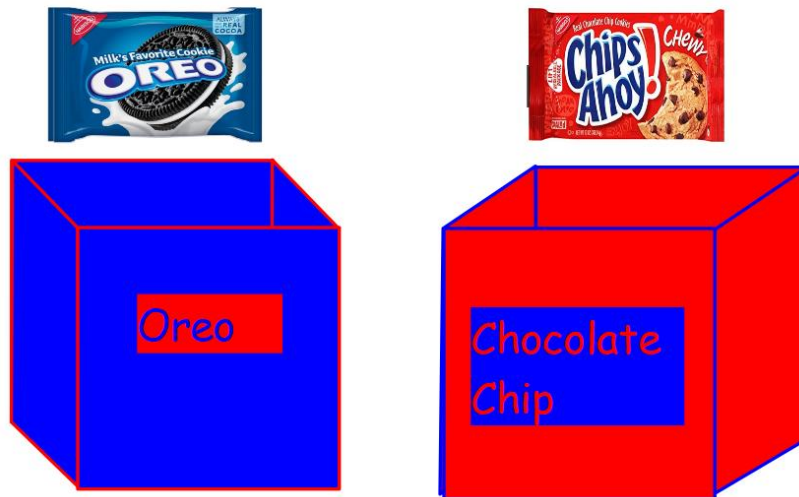


Slide 4
Discussion & View Sample Ballot



Slide 5
Read Aloud

Let's vote!



Slide 6
Vote using Cookie Ballots!