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## 2020 General Election Family Activity Booklet

## LEVEL III

## 2020 GENERAL ELECTION ACTIVITY BOOKLET

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PREPARE, PRACTICE \& BECOME INFORMED

Prepare for the 2020 Kids Voting General Election by practicing to vote below! First, research and learn as much as you can about each candidate. Then select the ONE candidate below you would like to serve as the President of the United States of America for the next 4 years. Fill in the circle for the candidate you have selected. Know the facts and make an informed decision!

DoubleClickDemocracy $\approx$
Kids Voting USA Presidential Election President and Vice President


## ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES TO DO WITH YOUR FAMILY!

1 Sign up for a library card at your local library. You can check out books about past Presidents and learn the roles they have played in shaping history.

2 Watch the debates as a family and talk with your families about both sides of the issues.

3 Volunteer for a campaign.
4 Contact a candidate if you have questions.
5
Ask a family member to take you with them to the poll when they go to vote. Or, if they vote by mail, sit with them while they vote.

6 Watch the live election results on the day of the election and color in a map to keep track of the electoral college votes.

7 Watch the Presidential Inauguration Speech.


Participate in the 2020 Kids Voting General Election.
Visit KidsVotingUSA.org to learn more.

When George Washington was elected President of the U.S., only $6 \%$ of the population was able to vote. Voting laws have changed to include more citizens regardless of race and gender.

Decode the timeline below using the "Key Code"
to learn about our nation's history.
Declaration of Independence was signed \& property owners had the right to vote. The majority were white, male, Protestant and over the age of 21.
U.S. Constitution was adopted giving states the power to regulate their own voting laws.

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North Carolina became the last state to expand voting rights to all white males by removing property ownership as a requirement to vote.

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14th Amendment: Male citizens 21+ were able to vote.


15th Amendment: Men of all races were able to vote.
19th Amendment: Women were given the right to vote.

26th Amendment: The voting age was changed to 18 years old. $\qquad$
KEY TO THE CODE

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In some countries, the voting age is younger and in others older than in America. How old do you think you should be to vote in this country and why?

## THE CONSTITUTION \& VOTING

The Constitution and changes to the Constitution, called Amendments, is what provides Americans the right to vote.
Use the clues below that represent the Constitution's impact on voting to complete the puzzle.


Why is voting important? $\qquad$

## THREE BRANCHES OF GOVERNMENT

The United States has three branches of Government: the Judicial, Legislative \& Executive Branches.
Brain Teaser: The people who run two of the three branches are voted on by the people and one of the three are decided on by the Electoral College. The third group is appointed by the
President and approved by the Senate. How is this possible?


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Executive Branch
SONGSCER $\qquad$
Legislative Branch
SUEERPM OTURC $\qquad$
Judicial Branch
Unscramble the Words to solve the Brain

SLILB $\qquad$ Teaser!

Congress Introduces (votes on)
SLAW
Signed Bills by the President

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Nine U.S. Justices
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A Group of Citizens who have the final Vote to determine the U.S. President

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U.S. Senators \& U.S. Representatives

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## FAMILY CORNER

Why is it important to have 3 Branches of Government?

## EVERY VOTE COUNTS

It is very important to VOTE and one single vote can make all the difference.
Match the number of Popular Votes and Electoral Votes to the list of Presidents below. Use the Campaign slogans as clues to helpyou figure out which voting totals match each President.
___Abraham Lincoln
___Barack Obama
__Bill Clinton
__Donald Trump
___Dwight D. Eisenhower
___Franklin D. Roosevelt
___George W. Bush
__John F. Kennedy
___Ronald Reagan

## FAMILY CORNER

Watch this year's Election and write down the following information for the winner of the Election.

Popular Votes:

Electoral Votes:
a. 22,829,501 Popular/472 Electoral "Happy Days Are Here Again" 32nd President - Elected 1932
b. 34,226,731 Popular/303 Electoral "A Time for greatness 1960" 35th President - Elected 1960
c. 43,904,153 Popular/489 Electoral "Let's Make America Great Again" 40th President - Elected 1980
d. 2,218,388 Popular/212 Electoral "Don't change horses midstream" 16th President - Elected 1864
e. 44,909,806 Popular/370 Electoral "Putting People First" 42nd President - Elected 1992
f. 62,984,828 Popular/304 Electoral "Make America Great Again" 45th President - Elected 2016
g. 33,936,234 Popular/442 Electoral "I Like Ike"
34th President - Elected 1952
h. 69,456,897 Popular/365 Electoral
"Yes We Can"
44th President - 2008
i. 50,456,002 Popular/271 Electoral "Compassionate Conservativism" 43rd President - 2000

Complete this activity with your family by visiting usa.gov/election\#item-212481 and utilizing the infograph poster to complete the steps.

## WAYS TO VOTE

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There are three ways to vote in an election:
1.Mail-in-Ballot;
2. Voting in person at a polling location (voting booth); or
3. Mailing in an absentee ballot.*

An example of someone who would need an absentee ballot is a citizen who lives oversees, like a soldier.


Is everyone in your family registered to vote? $\qquad$
If not, tell them to register today! And ask your family to take you with them the next time they go to vote.

The Electoral College, a chosen group of citizens, makes the final vote for President. There are a total of 538 electors across the United States. A candidate needs a total 270 Electoral Votes to win the Presidency. Below is a map showing each state and the number of Electoral Votes they are assigned.

## 1)Watch the election with your family.

2)Track the number of Electoral Votes for each state and track
the votes according to the candidates.

## 3)Total the votes to determine who has won the Election!



What state do you live in?
Which candidate had the most Electoral Votes in your state?

Which candidate won the Presidency?

