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Start Your Own Campaign

Can't vote? Start a "Don't Forget to Vote" Campaign! **Here's how:**

1. Cut out the **"Don't Forget to Vote"** badge on this page and wear it proudly!
2. On Election Day, ask every person you see who is over 18 if he or she has voted yet. Ask your teacher, your parents, the school secretary, and clerks at stores. ***Ask them all!***

Who can vote?

In order to vote, you must qualify three ways:

1. You must be at least 18 years old.
2. You must be a citizen of the United States.
3. You must be registered (signed up) to vote in the state where you live.

Standards Links: Social Science: Students understand the role of citizens including how to participate in civic life.

Campaign Trails

Decide whether each of these people can vote. Then follow each path in the maze to find out if you are right.

Standards Link: Social Science: Students understand the ways in which citizens participate in the American political system.

Clara Smith
- ☐ is a U.S. citizen
- ☐ is 79 years old
- ☐ retired 10 years ago
- ☐ has not registered to vote

Tom Jackson
- ☐ is an Air Force pilot based in Germany
- ☐ is 22 years old
- ☐ is a U.S. citizen
- ☐ has registered to vote

CAN'T VOTE

CAN VOTE

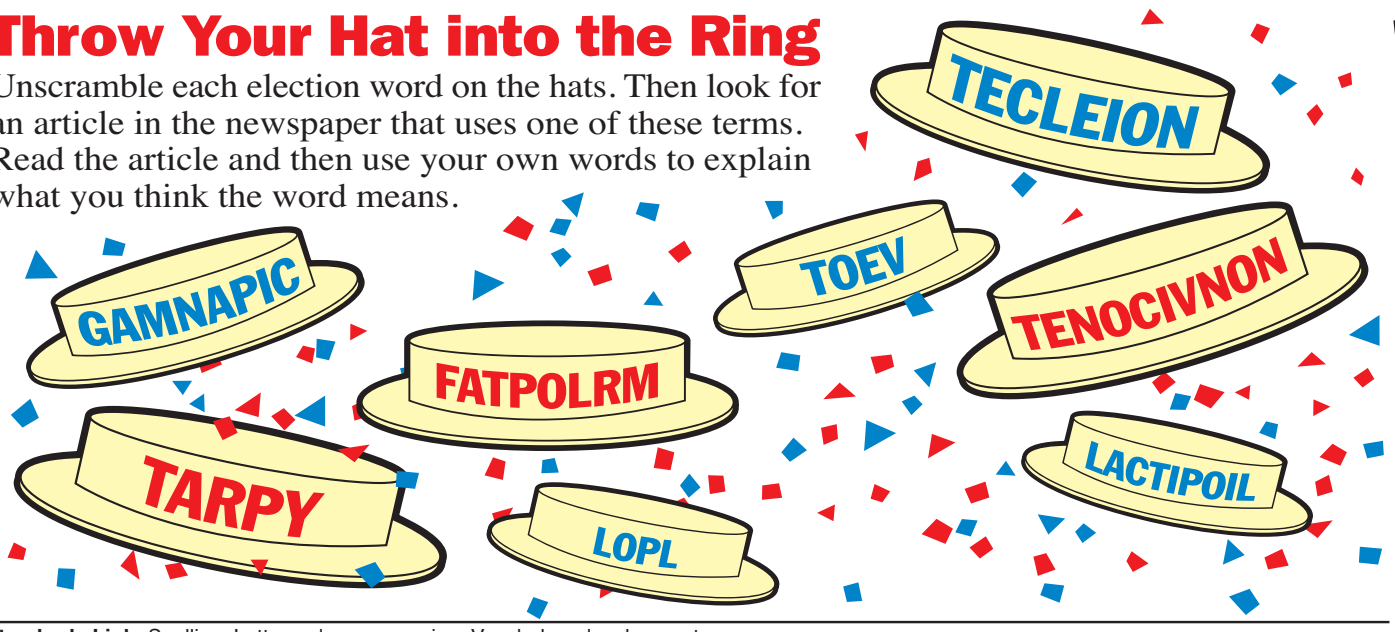
Maria Marino
- ☐ is 30 years old
- ☐ is a U.S. citizen
- ☐ has registered to vote
- ☐ does not read English

Paul Chernoff
- ☐ turns 18 on Nov. 1, 2016
- ☐ is a U.S. citizen
- ☐ does not have a job
- ☐ has registered to vote

Clara can't vote because she didn't register when she moved. Tom can vote even though he is in Germany. How? He can vote by mail!

Throw Your Hat into the Ring

Unscramble each election word on the hats. Then look for an article in the newspaper that uses one of these terms. Read the article and then use your own words to explain what you think the word means.



Standards Link: Spelling: Letter order, sequencing. Vocabulary development.

Extra! Extra! Election ABC's

Look through the newspaper for 10 words about the coming election. Cut them out and glue them onto a piece of paper in alphabetical order.

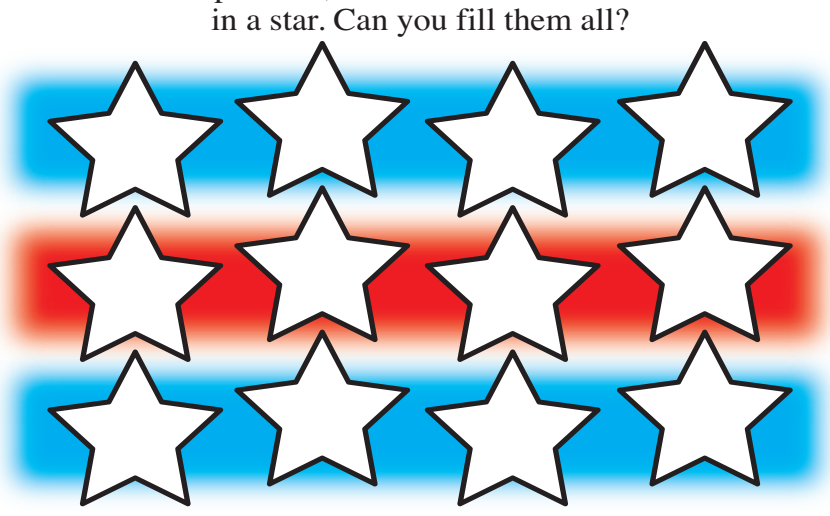
Bonus Challenge: Can you find an election word for each letter of the alphabet?

Standards Link: Spelling: Arrange words in alphabetical order.

Kid Scoop Puzzler

Red, White and Blue Words

With a friend, see how many words you can make with the letters that spell **red**, **white** and **blue**! Write each word in a star. Can you fill them all?



Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written directions.

Double Double Word Search

Find the words in the puzzle. Then look for each word in this week's Kid Scoop stories and activities.

CAMPAIGN
TRAILS
CITIZEN
FORGET
RING
VOTE
ELECTION
START
CLERKS
FOLLOW
BADGE
PILOT
PATH
FIND

D	N	E	Z	I	T	I	C	O	N
T	O	T	R	U	E	V	A	S	S
P	I	L	O	T	G	O	M	K	T
F	T	F	O	R	R	T	P	R	A
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P	E	V	N	S	O	O	N	T	E
E	G	D	A	B	V	O	W	E	E

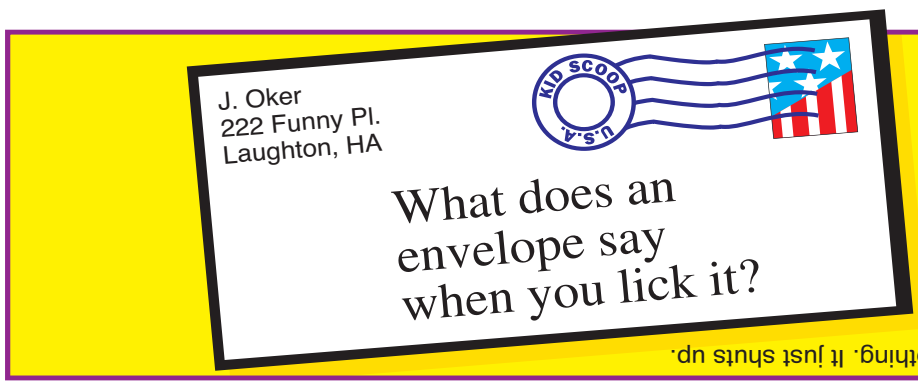
Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognized identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

FROM THE Kid Scoop LESSON LIBRARY

Read Between the Lines

People often use both **fact** and **opinion** to persuade others about their way of thinking. Look at a letter to the editor. Underline the facts in red and the opinions in blue. Does the writer use more fact or opinion?

Standards Link: Research: Use the newspaper to locate information.



Kid Scoop Together

How to Be a Good Leader

Complete this activity at home this evening with a parent or another learning buddy.

1. People elected to government offices must be good leaders. With a learning buddy, find 10 words in today's newspaper that describe a good leader.
2. Write the 10 words here in alphabetical order:

3. Discuss some leaders you or your learning buddy respect. On the lines below, each of you write some reasons why you think this person is a good leader.

Your reasons:

Your learning buddy's reasons:

Kid Scoop VOCABULARY BUILDERS

This week's word:
CANDIDATE

The noun **candidate** means a person who seeks to be elected or appointed to a certain position or job.

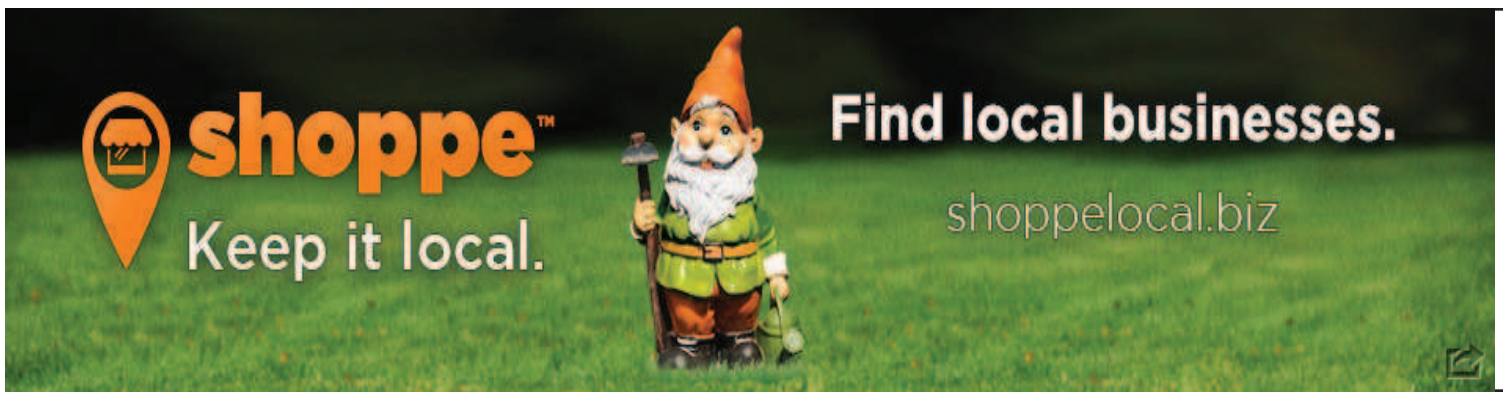
Each **candidate** gave a short speech to the voters outside city hall.

Try to use the word **candidate** in a sentence today when talking with your friends and family.

Write On!

What's your opinion?

Should kids be allowed to vote? Why or why not?



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