



LEARNING RESOURCES ELECTIONS & U.S. GOVERNMENT

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Congress

Congress of Vienna

Congress is any meeting of people who represent organizations, regions, or countries. In the United States, the word *congress* refers to the Congress of the United States, which makes the nation's laws. Each member represents many citizens. People choose who they want to represent them.

An international congress is a meeting of people who represent many nations. Meetings are held to discuss problems or to settle disputes between nations. A famous international congress is the Congress of Vienna (1814-1815), which ended Napoleon's empire in Europe after the Napoleonic Wars.

A congress can also be an organization, such as the Congress of Racial Equality, which works for civil rights in the United States. The Congress of Industrial Organizations is an association of labor unions. It joined with the American Federation of Labor to form the AFL-CIO.

RESEARCH & LEARN

Kids can search relevant terms to learn about a variety of topics in age-appropriate environments. Look up key figures in **Important People (Kids)** or the **Biography Center (Student)**.

ANALYZE & DISCUSS

- Start the discussion with an article from **Behind the Headlines** in *Student*. Build background knowledge with links to relevant concepts.
- Focus on global perspective with **World Newspapers** in *Advanced*.

Behind The Headlines May 20, 2024

Asian and Pacific Heritage Month: Patsy Mink

Change voice ⓘ

May is [Asian American and Pacific Islander \(AAPI\) Heritage Month](#). All month long, Behind the Headlines will feature AAPI pioneers in a variety of areas.

[Patsy Mink](#) was the first woman of color and first [Asian American](#) elected to the [United States House of Representatives](#). Mink, a [Democrat](#) from [Hawaii](#), served as a member of the U.S. House of Representatives from 1965 to 1977 and later from 1990 until her death in 2002.

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Election

Images & Video

Election is the process by which people vote for the candidate or proposal of their choice....

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Primary election

Primary election is a method of selecting candidates to run for public office.

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Election campaign

Election campaign is a course of action designed to win votes for a certain candidate, party, or issue.

THINK CRITICALLY

- Organize thoughts with graphic organizers found in *Student*.
- Multiple source types allow students to think critically about the electoral process over time: **Back in Time Articles, historical maps, special reports, and primary sources.**

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Elections and Voting

Ever wanted to be the leader of your country? In many countries, you would need to be elected by your citizens in order to have that power. Elections are held at different times of the year all around the world. Many countries hold elections to choose the officials who represent them in the government. Use this webquest to learn more about the election process and voting.

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Then, click on "Student." If prompted, log on with your ID and Password.



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Use the World Book Advanced search tool to find the answers to the questions below. Since this activity is a webquest, it is recommended you start by searching the key word "election." Sometimes "hints" exist on other articles.

Write your answers on the lines provided or below the question.

What is an election? An election is the process by which people _____ for the _____

_____ of their choice.

What is a democratic system of government? A democratic system of government holds free, fair, and competitive elections?

What types of organizations hold nongovernmental elections?

WEBQUESTS

Looking for a pre-created activity to kick off the unit? Try the Elections & Voting WebQuest found in *Student*, and *Advanced*.

Project Idea: Get inspired and have students create their own WebQuest on a civics topic to lead a classmate through relevant World Book content.

TIMELINES

Students can add events to existing timelines or start from scratch and create their own. Project idea: Create a timeline following the 2024 primary elections - use a different color to represent each party for a comparative study.

Create Timeline Info

Description

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United States census of 201...



Congress of Vienna



Former Vice President Joe B...



Thomas Jefferson Building o...

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EBOOKS

Share a digital text. Our World Book original Destination: Pennsylvania Avenue is a special volume that takes an in-depth look at the process behind electing someone to the highest office in the United States government.