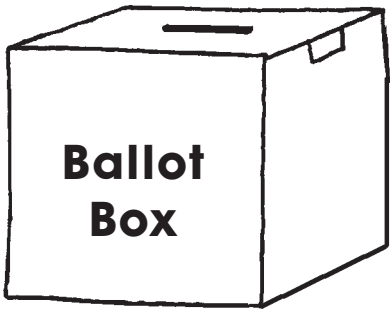


Name \_\_\_\_\_

ELECTION DAY

The names of four candidates for governor were on the ballot. Voting has ended and the results will be shown on TV every hour during the evening. Record the totals on the score card.



**7:00 p.m.** Calhoun has received 65,949 votes. Ortega has 65,517 votes. Wong is 4,095 votes behind Calhoun. Parks is ahead of Ortega by 6,732 votes.

**8:00 p.m.** Wong has gained 81,150 votes. Calhoun’s total has doubled. Parks’ votes have gone up by 52,083. Ortega now has 20,406 more votes than Parks.

**9:00 p.m.** Calhoun’s count has gone up 144,087 in the past hour. Ortega’s total is now 263,187. The only female candidate is now 2,088 votes ahead of Wong. Wong received 7,385 fewer votes than Ortega during the past hour.

**10:00 p.m.** Ninety-nine percent of the votes have been counted. Calhoun’s total has grown by 76,566. Ortega is 27,208 votes ahead of Calhoun. Parks received 2,206 fewer votes than Ortega within the past hour. Wong’s vote count soared by 130,839.

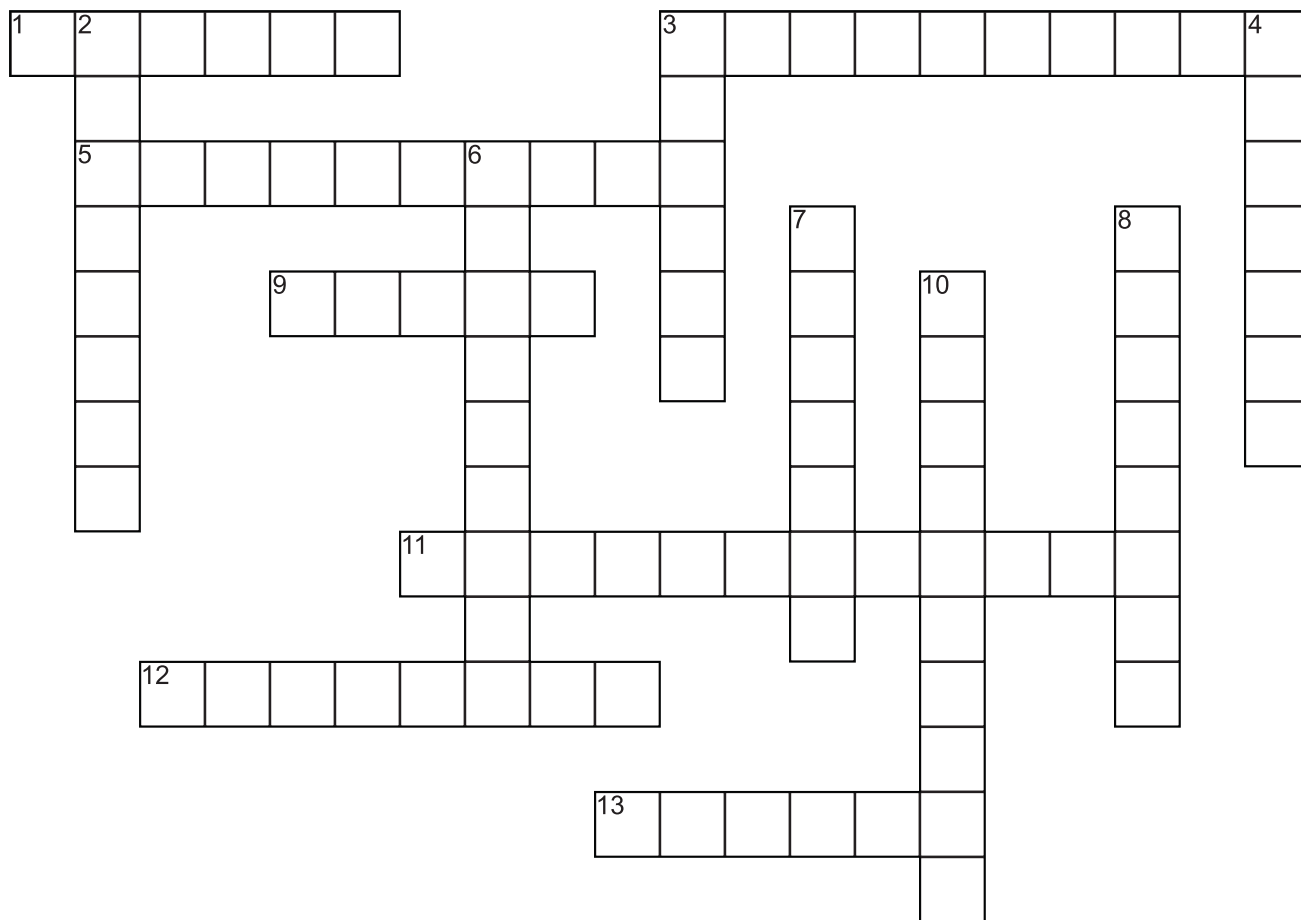
	7:00 p.m.	8:00 p.m.	9:00 p.m.	10:00 p.m.
George Calhoun				
Nancy Parks				
Luis Ortega				
Lee Wong				

Write the candidates’ names in the order of the number of votes received, starting with the winner.

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_

Altogether, how many people voted for the four candidates? \_\_\_\_\_

# Voting



## ACROSS CLUES:

1. The people vote for the candidates in this type of election.
3. a special election in which voters approve or reject a law
5. This type of government allows its people to vote.
9. The 19th Amendment gave \_\_\_\_\_ the right to vote.
11. when a person's name is put on a list of eligible voters
12. People who cannot make it to the voting polls may vote by mailing an \_\_\_\_\_ ballot.
13. This is written on when voting.

## DOWN CLUES:

2. The people elect representatives to vote for them in these elections.
3. when voters remove an official from office before his term is over
4. A voting \_\_\_\_\_ is often used to register and count votes.
6. The 26th \_\_\_\_\_ gives U.S. citizens 18 years or older the right to vote.
7. Voters in some states must register as members of a political party in order to vote in \_\_\_\_\_ elections.
8. a voting district
10. means "a body of qualified voters"

Name \_\_\_\_\_

**LESSON 8 – VOTING**

**DEFINE:** Use a dictionary to find a meaning for each word below.

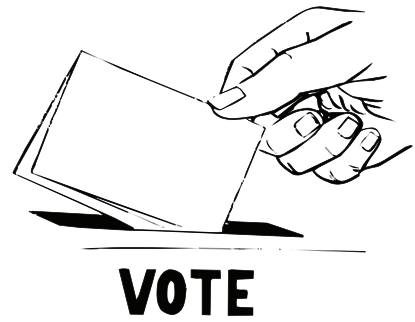
1. cast: \_\_\_\_\_  
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2. election: \_\_\_\_\_  
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3. poll tax: \_\_\_\_\_  
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4. resident: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
5. Electoral College: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
6. poll: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_



**EVALUATE:** Answer the following questions on a separate sheet of paper.

1. Do you think it is the duty of every eligible American to vote? Explain your answer.
2. If you were at a voting machine and didn't understand how to operate it, what would you do?
3. Do you feel you should have to tell someone who you voted for? Why or why not?
4. Should 18-year-olds be allowed to vote? Do you think they are too young? Explain your answer.

direct election	primary election
recall	precinct
registration	electorate
ballot	democratic government
absentee ballot	26th amendment
indirect election	women
referendum	voting machine



**Complete each sentence with a government term from the box above.**

1. In an \_\_\_\_\_, people elect representatives to vote for them.
2. A voting district is known as a \_\_\_\_\_.
3. The 19th Amendment gave \_\_\_\_\_ the right to vote.
4. Voters in some cities and states may \_\_\_\_\_ an elected official before his/her term of office is over.
5. A citizen's vote may be cast by writing on a \_\_\_\_\_.
6. The \_\_\_\_\_ gave 18-year-olds the right to vote.
7. Those citizens who are eligible to vote make up the \_\_\_\_\_.
8. A voter may mail in an \_\_\_\_\_ if he/she cannot make it to the polls.
9. People vote for the candidates in a \_\_\_\_\_.
10. The process of putting a person's name on a list of eligible voters is known as \_\_\_\_\_.
11. A \_\_\_\_\_ is a special election to vote on a law.
12. Registering and counting votes is made easy by a \_\_\_\_\_.
13. A \_\_\_\_\_ allows its citizens to vote.
14. In some states, a voter must be a registered political party member to take part in a \_\_\_\_\_.

**MATCHING: Match each term to its meaning.**

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|--------------------------------|---|
| _____ 1. direct election       | A. gives U.S. citizens 18 years or older the right to vote            |
| _____ 2. indirect election     | B. when voters remove an official from office before his term is over |
| _____ 3. democratic government | C. written on when voting   |
| _____ 4. recall                | D. gave women the right to vote                                       |
| _____ 5. referendum            | E. only registered voters of a political party may vote in this       |
| _____ 6. 26th Amendment        | F. used by voters who cannot make it to the polls                     |
| _____ 7. registration          | G. when the people vote for the candidate                             |
| _____ 8. 19th Amendment        | H. a body of qualified voters   |
| _____ 9. primary election      | I. allows its people to vote freely                                   |
| _____ 10. precinct             | J. putting a person's name on a list of eligible voters               |
| _____ 11. voting machine       | K. a special election in which voters approve or reject a law         |
| _____ 12. absentee ballot      | L. voting district  |
| _____ 13. electorate           | M. when the people elect a representative to vote for them            |
| _____ 14. ballot               | N. counts and registers votes   |
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**MATCHING: Match each word to its meaning.**

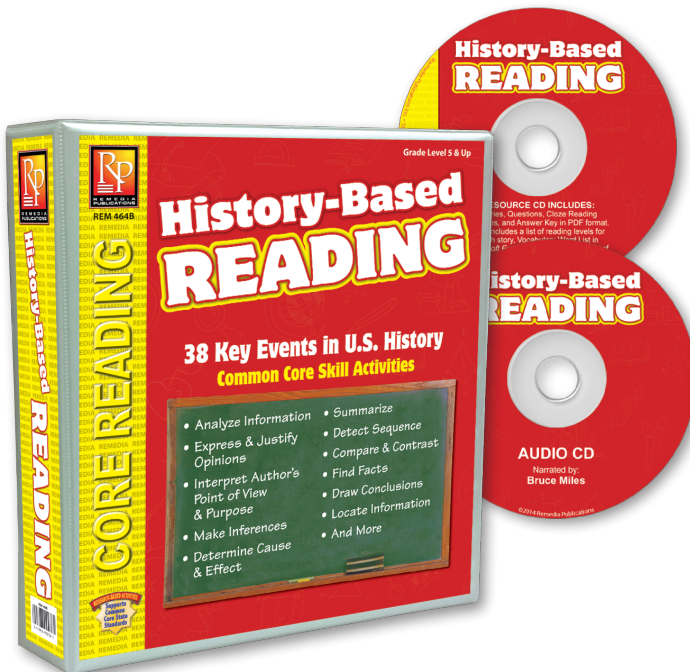
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| _____ 1. cast              | A. place where votes are cast and counted                |
| _____ 2. poll tax          | B. to deposit formally (such as a ballot)                |
| _____ 3. poll              | C. a tax charged to a person as a requirement for voting |
| _____ 4. Electoral College | D. choosing a candidate by voting                        |
| _____ 5. resident          | E. representatives who vote for the President            |
| _____ 6. election          | F. person who lives in one place for a length of time    |

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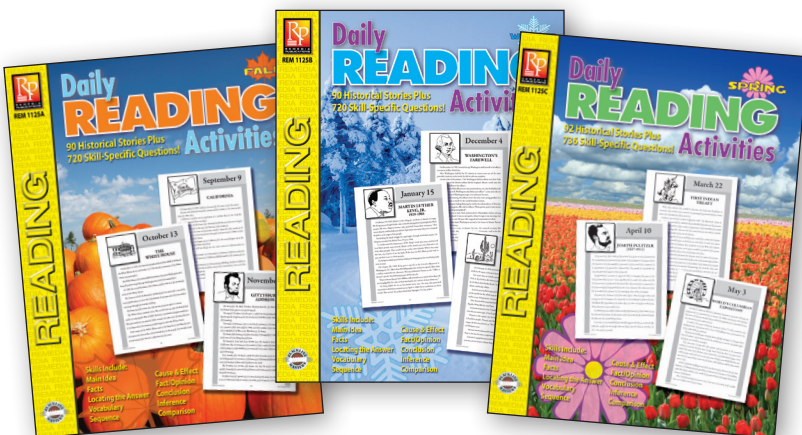
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