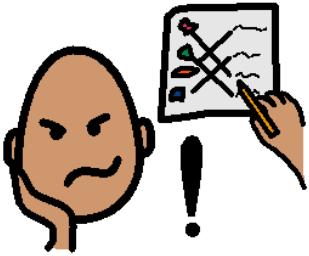


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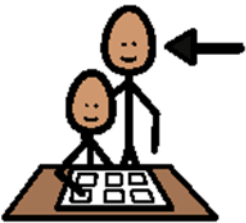


Hard Words

This fact sheet has some hard words.

The first time we write a hard word

- The hard word is in **blue**
- We will write what the hard word means



You can get help with this fact sheet

You can get someone to help you

- read this fact sheet
- know what this fact sheet says
- find more information

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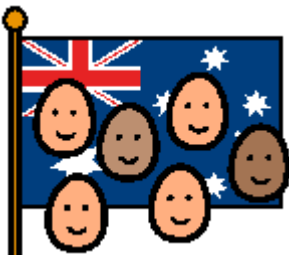
The **Federal Election** is **Saturday 18 May 2019**



A federal election

- is every 3 years
- we vote for who will be Australia's government.

It is your right to vote.



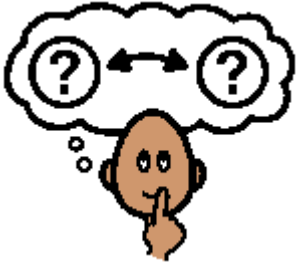
Everyone must vote who is

- over the age of 18 years
- an Australian citizen



Learn how you enrol to vote online:

https://www.aec.gov.au/About_AEC/Publications/easy-read/files/how-to-enrol-easy-eng.pdf



What is important to you?

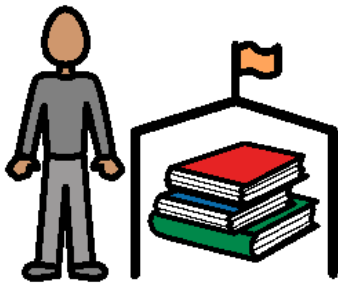
Before you vote think about what is important to you.

Topics that might be important to you:



- Health

- Disability

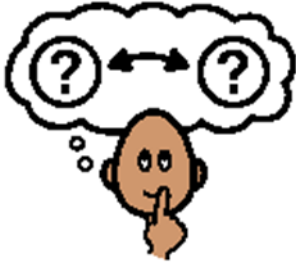


- work/jobs

- Education



- Environment



Topics that are important to me and why

Example: Work is important to me because I want to earn money and be in the community.

Write down the things that are important to you:

-
-
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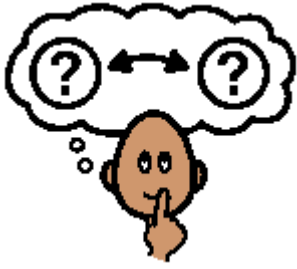
What I want to be done

Example: I want the government to make places more accessible, so I can join in.

Write down what things you want changed:

-
-
-





Who can you vote for?

Who you vote for is **your decision**.

You vote for **political parties** and **candidates** in your **electorate**.



A political party is a group of people who:

- share the same ideas
- agree on how government should run Australia.

A candidate is a person who wants to be part of the Parliament.



An electorate is an area you live in.



Each electorate has different candidates you can vote for.

Your vote helps choose

- local member of parliament
- local senator



If they get enough votes, the person you vote for will represent you in Parliament.



You can find your electorate at

- <https://electorate.aec.gov.au/>

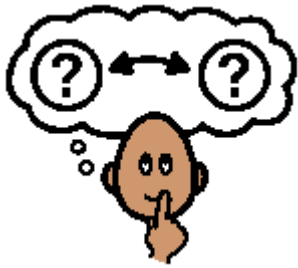
or



- call the Australian Electoral Commission (AEC) on
13 23 26



My electorate is:



Decide who to vote for

You need to find out who the candidates are in your electorate.

There are candidates for the 2 houses of parliament:

- **House of Representatives**
- **Senate**

Together they make decisions about Australia.



The House of Representatives is the house in which the Australian Government is formed.



The Senate is also known as the upper house.

It has 76 people from

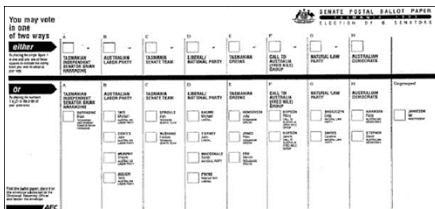
- 6 states
- 2 territories

You will get 2 bits of paper on election day

- Green
- White



Green paper is for the House of Representatives.

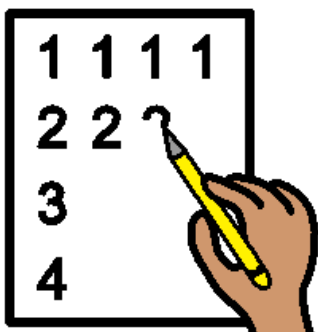


White paper is for the Senate.



Learn how you vote here:

https://www.aec.gov.au/About_AEC/Publications/easy-read/files/vote-polling-place-easy-eng.pdf



You can practice voting here:

https://www.aec.gov.au/Voting/How_to_vote/practice/



Information about who you can vote for can be found:

- Your letterbox – they often send pamphlets
- TV
- Radio
- Newspapers
- The internet



You can find out online:

<https://www.abc.net.au/news/elections/federal/2019/guide/electorates-by-state>



Candidates in my electorate

House of Representatives Candidates:

Labor



-
-
-

Liberal



-
-
-

Greens



-
-

Independents

-



Senate Candidates:

Labor



-
-
-

Liberal



-
-
-

Greens



-
-
-

Independents

-

Federal Party Leaders:



Labor

- Bill Shorten



Liberal

- Scott Morrison



Greens

- Richard Di Natale

Independents

- Clive Palmer
- Pauline Hanson
- Derryn Hinch
- David Leyonhjelm
- Cory Bernardi
- Bob Katter
- Michael McCormack

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