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Level 0 – 4th January 2024

2024 to be biggest ever year for voting in elections

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Please try Levels 1, 2 and 3. They are (a little) harder.

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THE READING

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The year 2024 will be the biggest for elections. Two billion people in 64 countries will vote this year. That is half the global population. There will be big changes for many people.

For much of 2024, eyes will be on the US. There will be a repeat of the 2020 election if Donald Trump runs again.

Journalists worry about free and fair elections.

Bloomberg.com asked a commonly-asked question: "Will 2024 be the year fake news destroys democracy?" AI will be used to change the way people vote. Bloomberg said there will be "a storm of disinformation" and a lot of fake news stories.

Sources: <https://time.com/6550920/world-elections-2024/>
<https://www.bloomberg.com/opinion/articles/2023-12-28/elections-2024-fake-news-could-destroy-democracy>
http://www.koreaherald.com/global_insite/view.php

PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. 2024 will be the | a. for many people |
| 2. Two billion people | b. be on the US |
| 3. That is half the | c. in 64 countries |
| 4. There will be big changes | d. the 2020 election |
| 5. For much | e. biggest for elections |
| 6. eyes will | f. of 2024 |
| 7. There will be a repeat of | g. runs again |
| 8. if Donald Trump | h. global population |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|--------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. Journalists | a. used |
| 2. free and | b. of disinformation |
| 3. commonly-asked | c. fair elections |
| 4. the year fake news destroys | d. news stories |
| 5. AI will be | e. democracy |
| 6. change the way | f. worry |
| 7. there will be a storm | g. people vote |
| 8. a lot of fake | h. question |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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The year 2024 will (1) _____ for elections. Two
(2) _____ 64 countries will vote this year. That is
(3) _____ population. There will
(4) _____ for many people. For much of 2024,
(5) _____ on the US. There will be a
(6) _____ 2020 election if Donald Trump runs
again.

Journalists worry about (7) _____ elections.

Bloomberg.com (8) _____-asked question: "Will

2024 (9) _____ fake news destroys democracy?"

AI will be (10) _____ the way people vote.

Bloomberg said there will (11) _____ of

disinformation" and a lot of (12) _____.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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ELECTIONS SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about elections in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper. When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1 _____	STUDENT 2 _____	STUDENT 3 _____
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.

WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student A: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) _____

b) _____

c) _____

d) _____

e) _____

f) _____

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WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student B: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) _____

b) _____

c) _____

d) _____

e) _____

f) _____

