

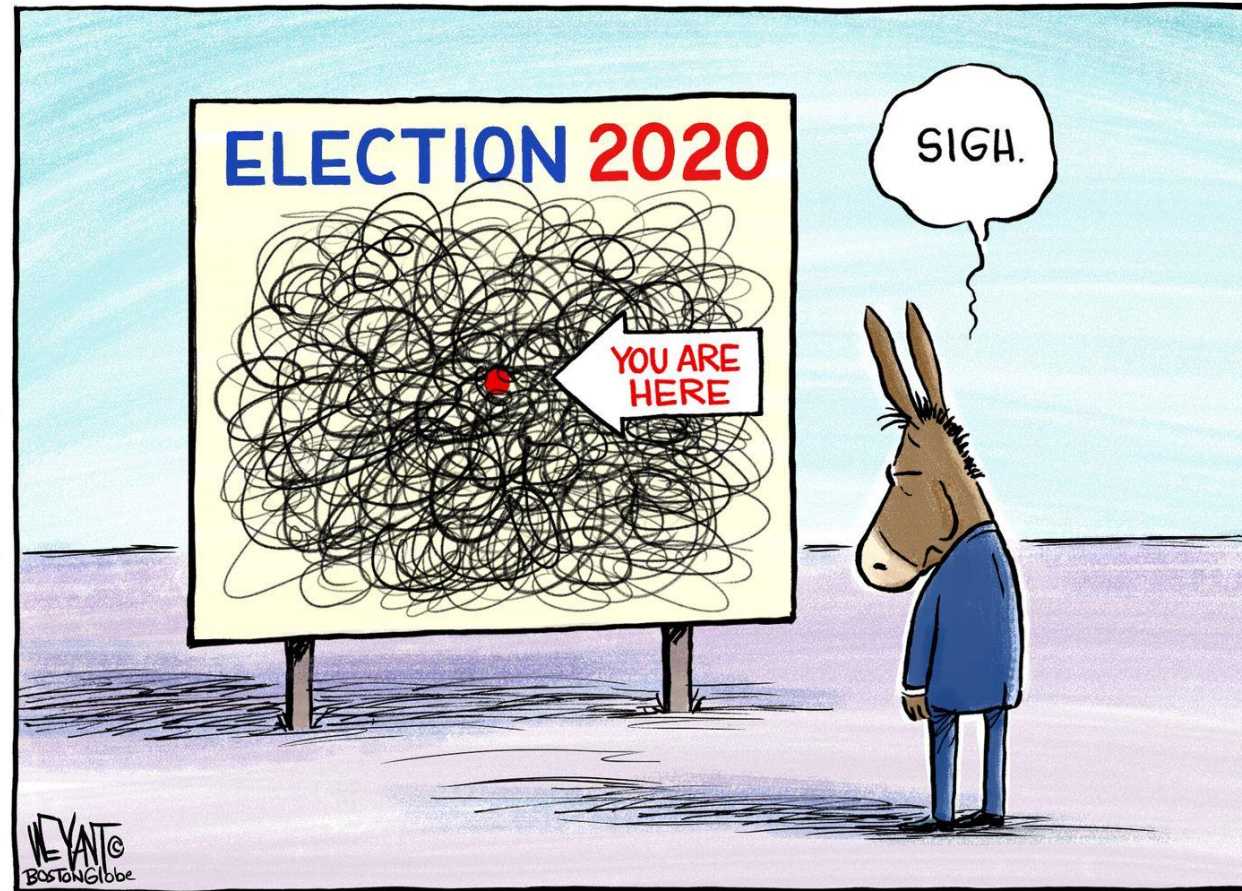
The Presidential Election 2020

How to become President of the United States
(englischsprachige Unterrichtsstunde)

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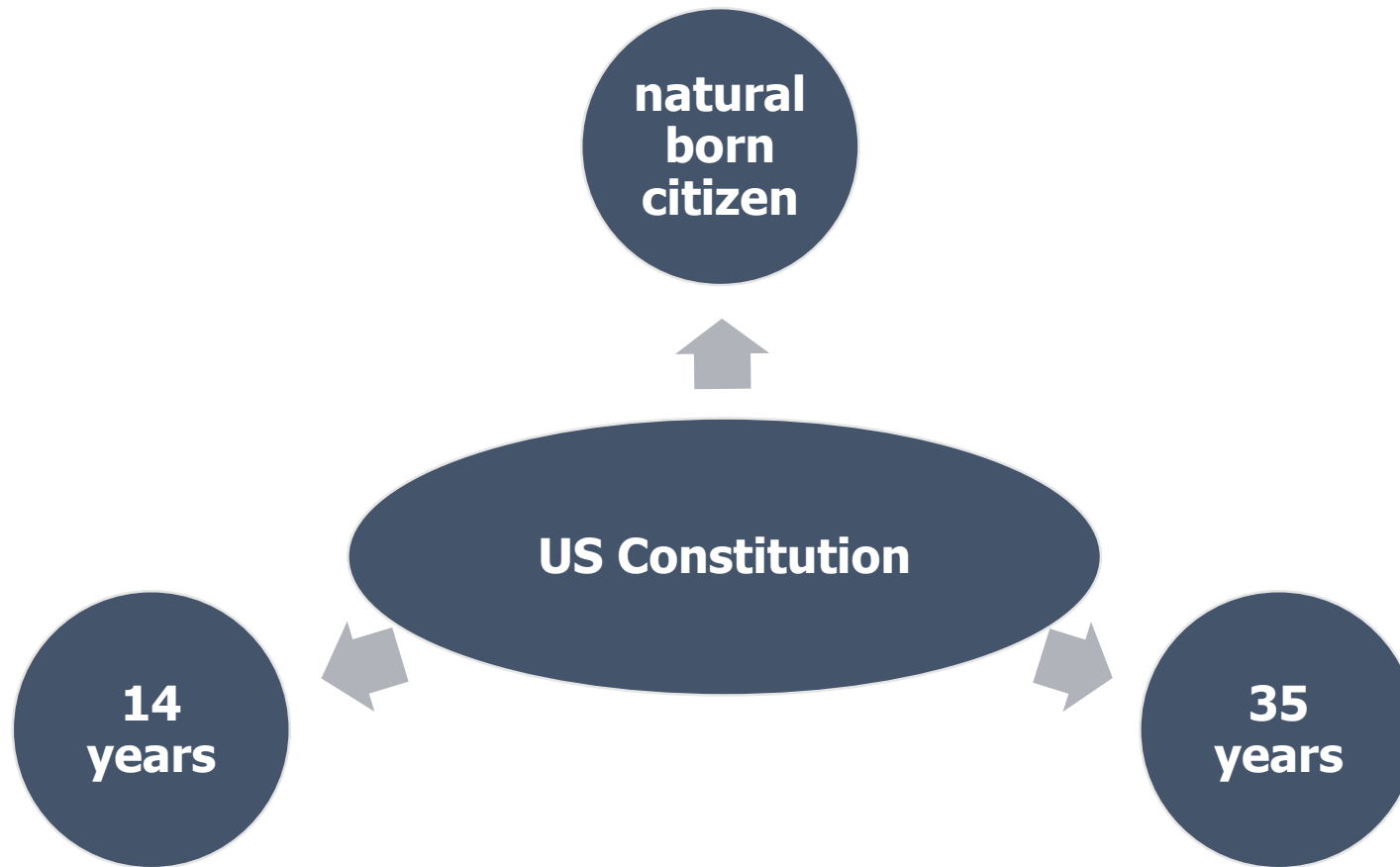
I. The 2020 Election Map Cartoon



Quelle: <https://www.bostonglobe.com/2020/02/27/opinion/2020-election-map/>

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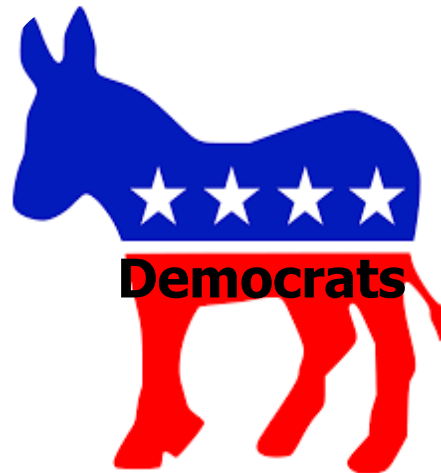
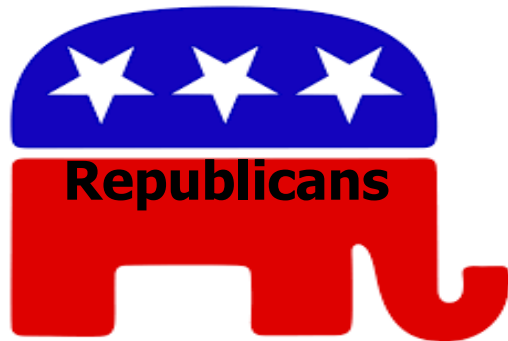
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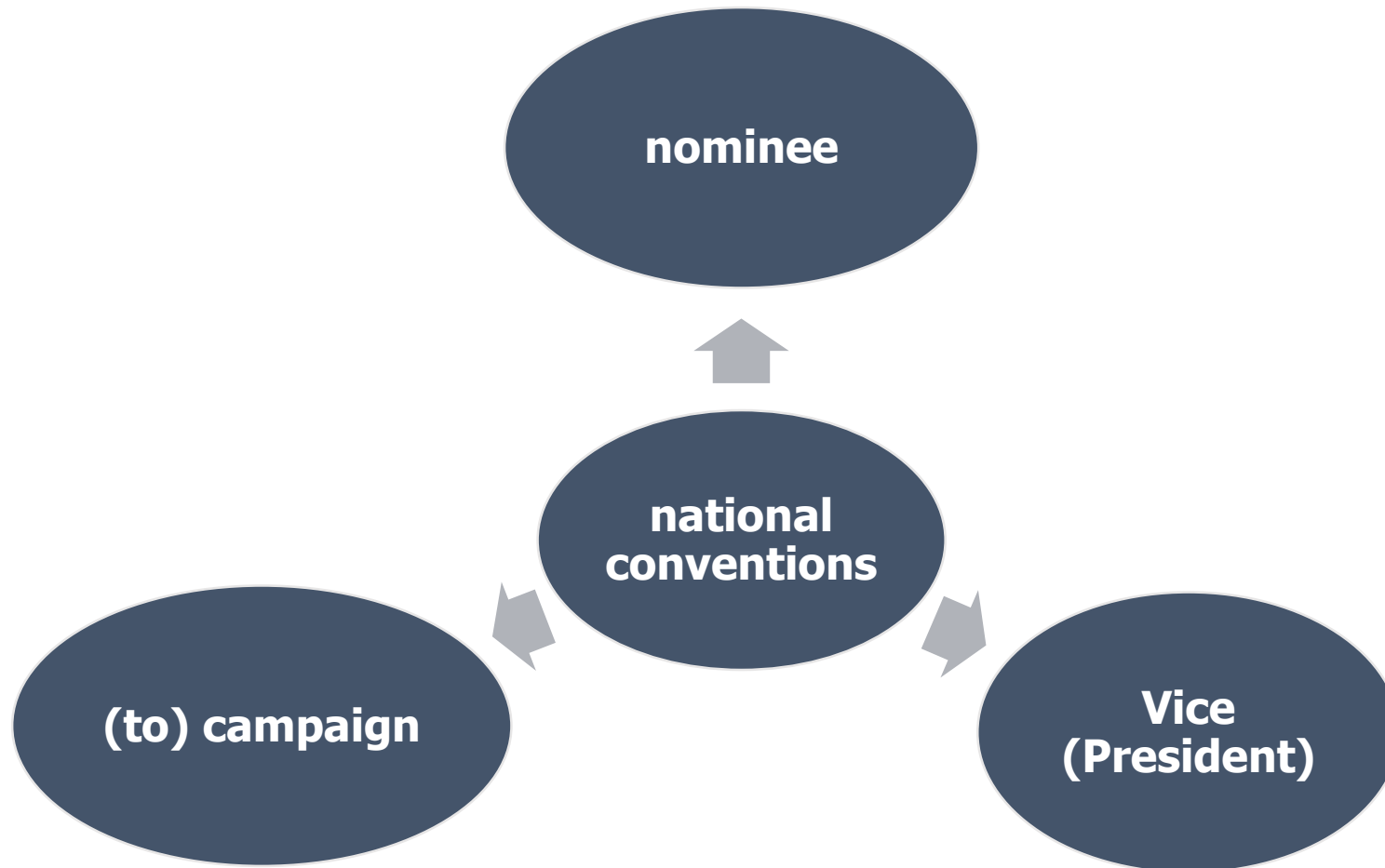
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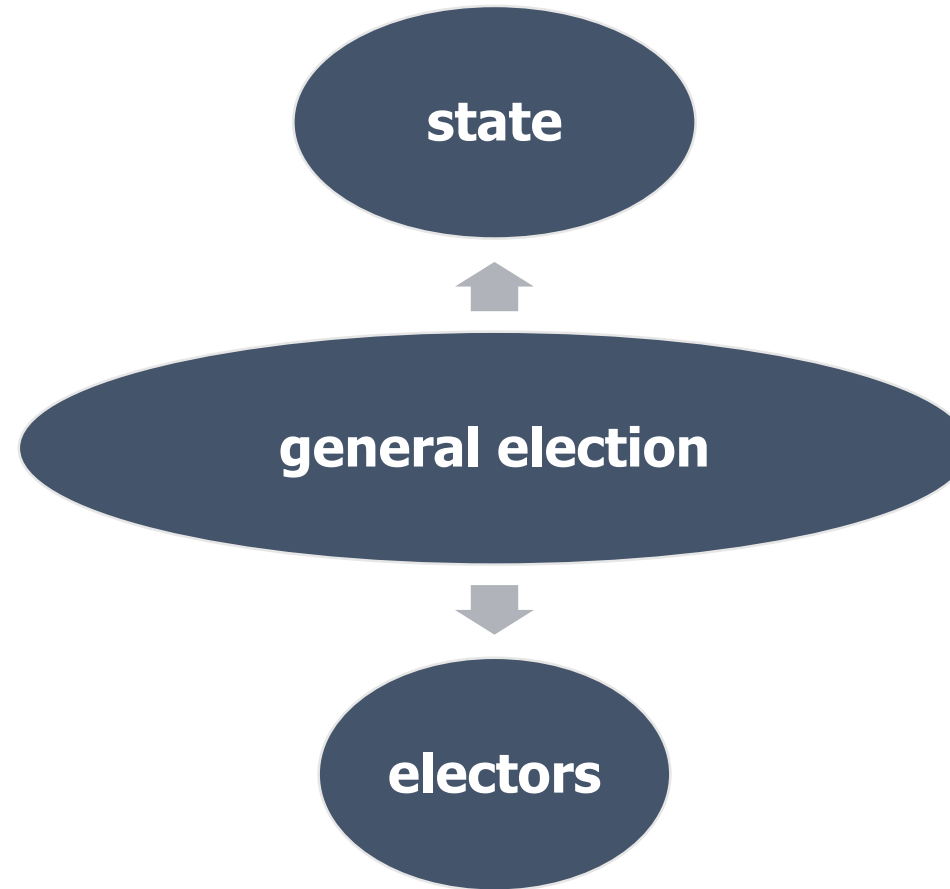
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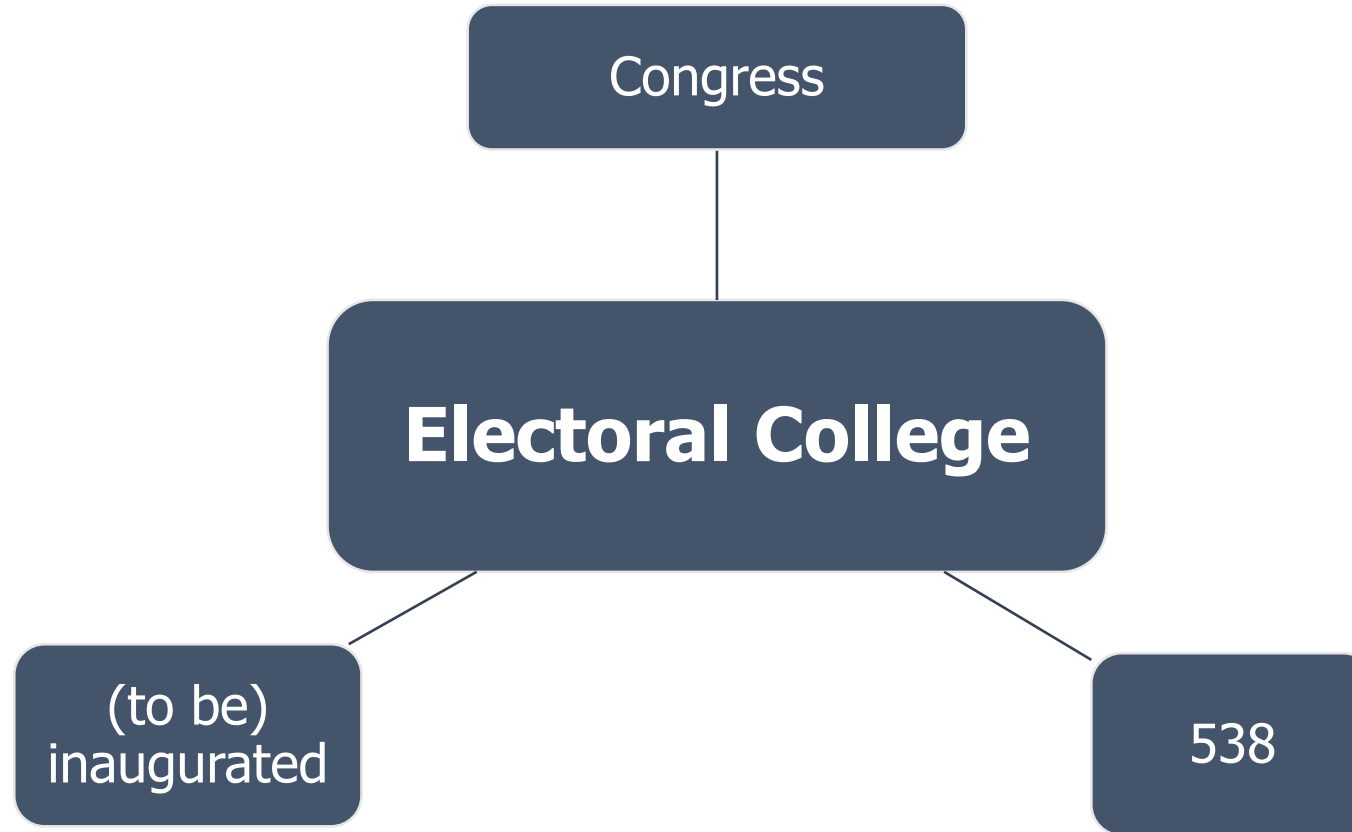
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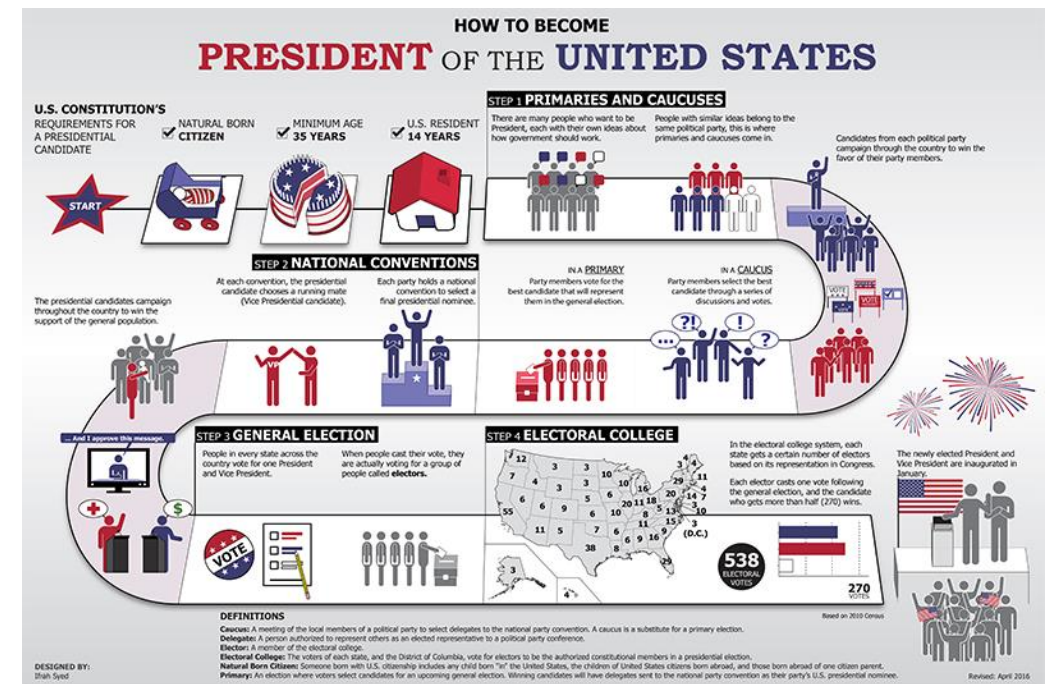


III. How to become president of the United States Video

Video “How to Become President of the United States” (Source: www.usa.gov/election):
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2eXCG-hlaql&feature=emb_logo

The [video](#) explains how to become president of the United States.

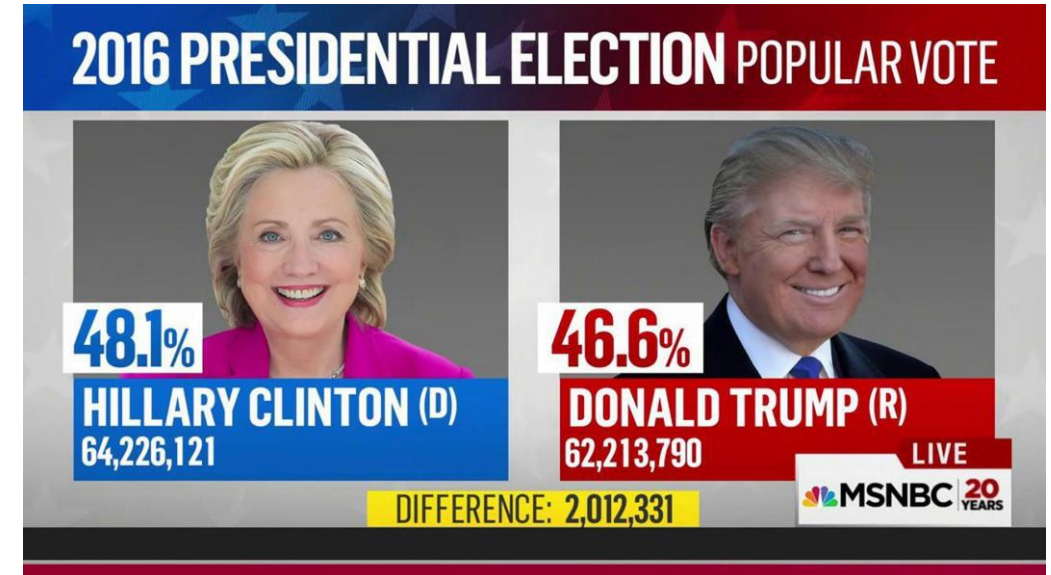
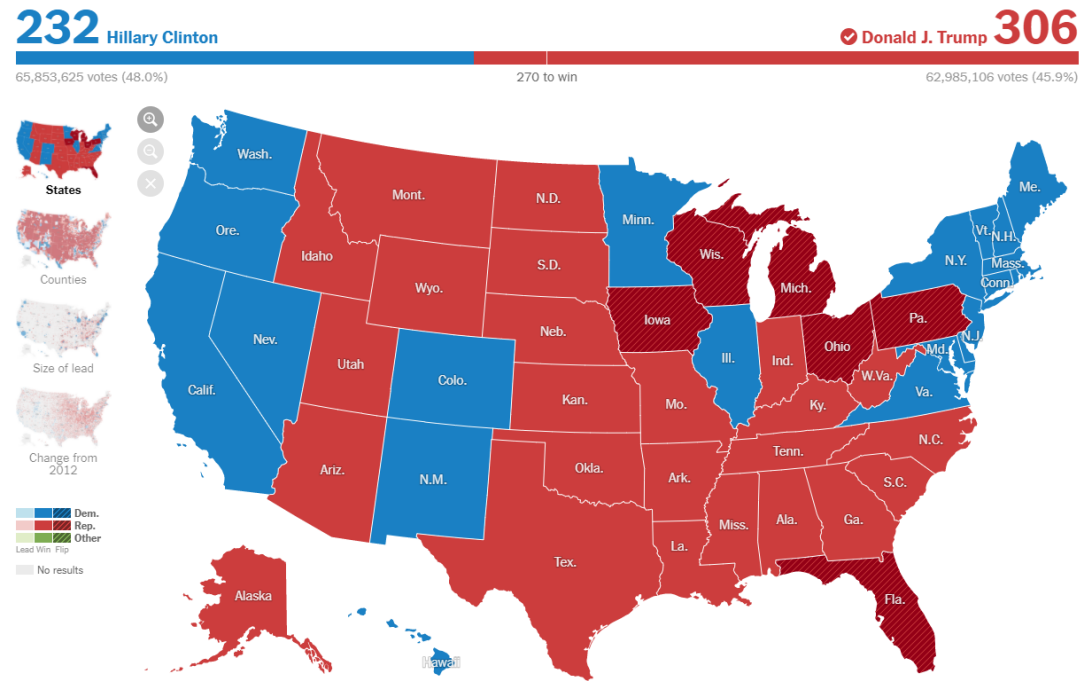
- Read the worksheet “How to become president of the United States”. The missing parts will be explained in the video.
- Fill in the missing words or numbers while listening to or watching the video.



III. Electoral college vs. popular vote

Presidential Election Results: Donald J. Trump Wins

Donald J. Trump won [the Electoral College](#) with 304 votes compared to 227 votes for Hillary Clinton. Seven electors voted for someone other than their party's candidate.



Analyse the two diagrams showing the results of the 2016 US presidential election. Describe and explain the difference.

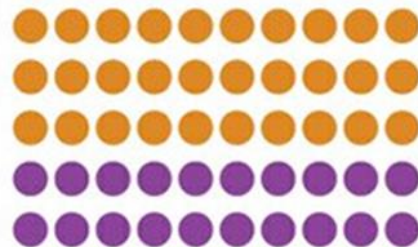
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Popular vs. electoral vote

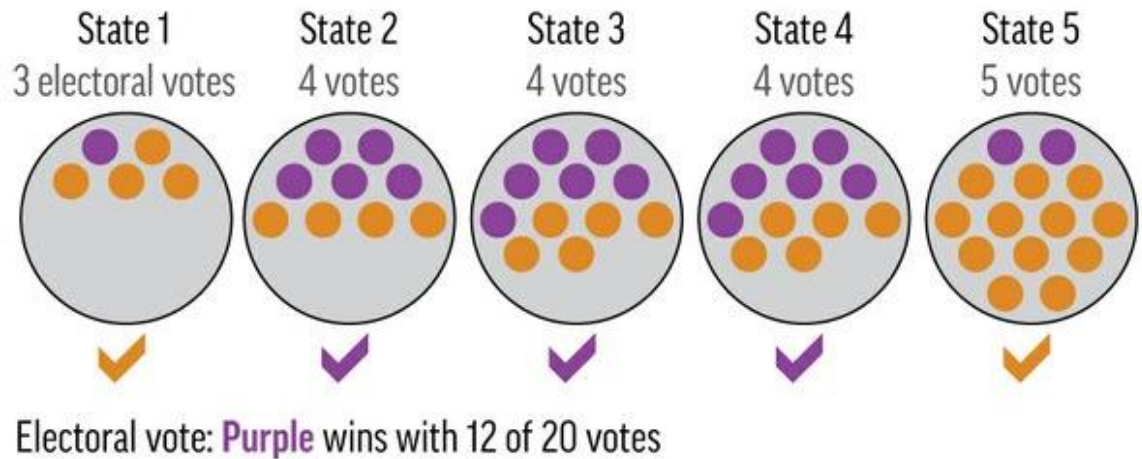
In the U.S., a presidential candidate can win the popular vote but lose the election. In the Electoral College system established by the Constitution, each state gets the same number of “electors” as the number of its lawmakers in Congress. To become president, the winner must get a majority of electoral votes. In most states, whoever wins the popular vote gets all of the state’s electoral votes.

In this simplified example, more voters choose the orange candidate over the purple candidate, giving orange a clear majority.

Popular vote: **Orange** wins



But through the Electoral College system, if the purple voters are distributed so that purple wins by slim margins in enough states, while orange wins in more heavily orange states, purple can engineer an electoral victory:



Source: AP reports

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IV. The 2020 Election Map Cartoon

Use your completed worksheet to explain “How to become president of the United States”.

