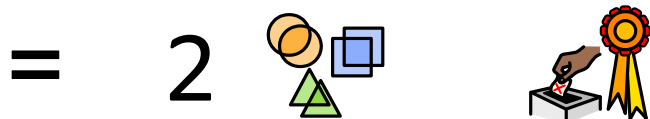




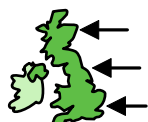
What is an Election?

Symbol Book





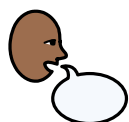
There are two types of elections.



They are called general elections and local elections.



Political Parties campaign to win votes.



The news reports on election campaigns.



Politicians



campaign

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Politicians



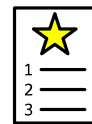
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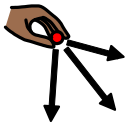
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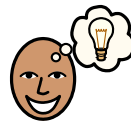


give out



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Adults



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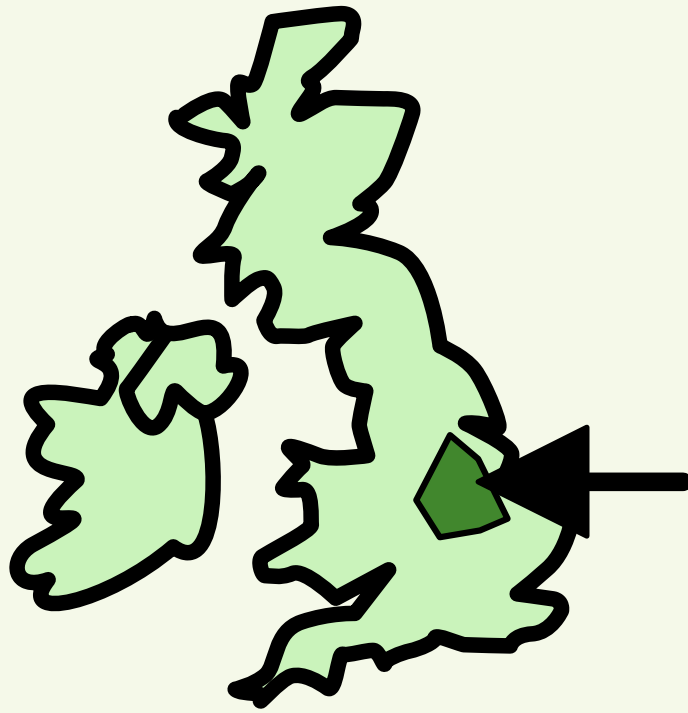


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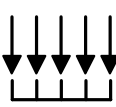
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 Adults can vote every four years in local elections.





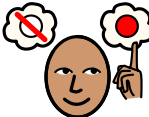


 A local election lets people choose their councillors.

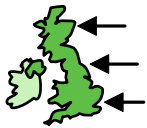
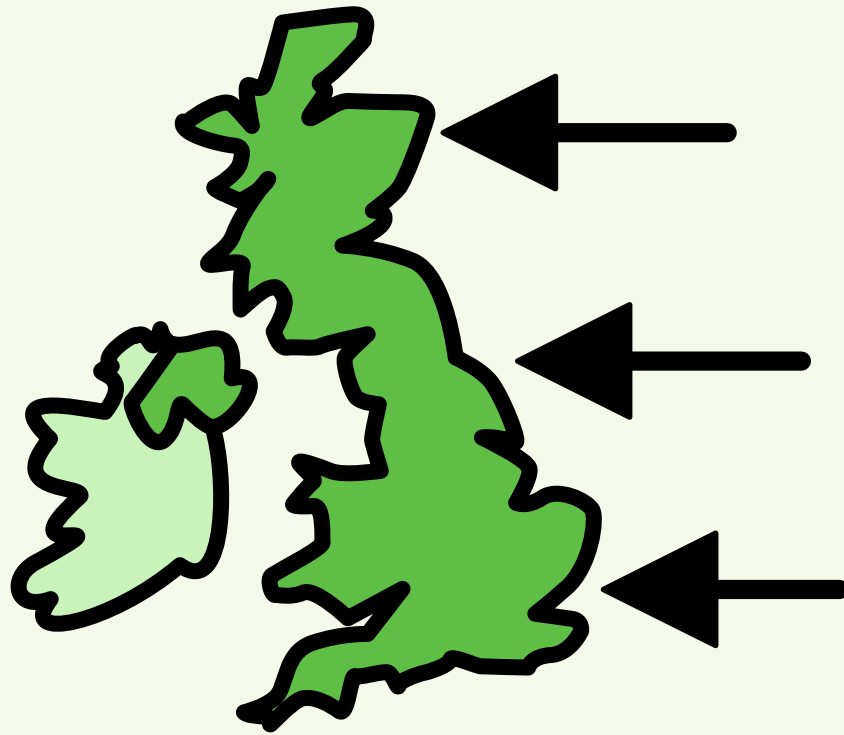




 Councillors are local politicians.


 They make decisions about your local area.



A general



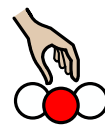
election



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the people



choose



their MP.



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MP

stands for

Member of Parliament.



An MP



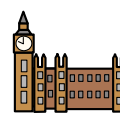
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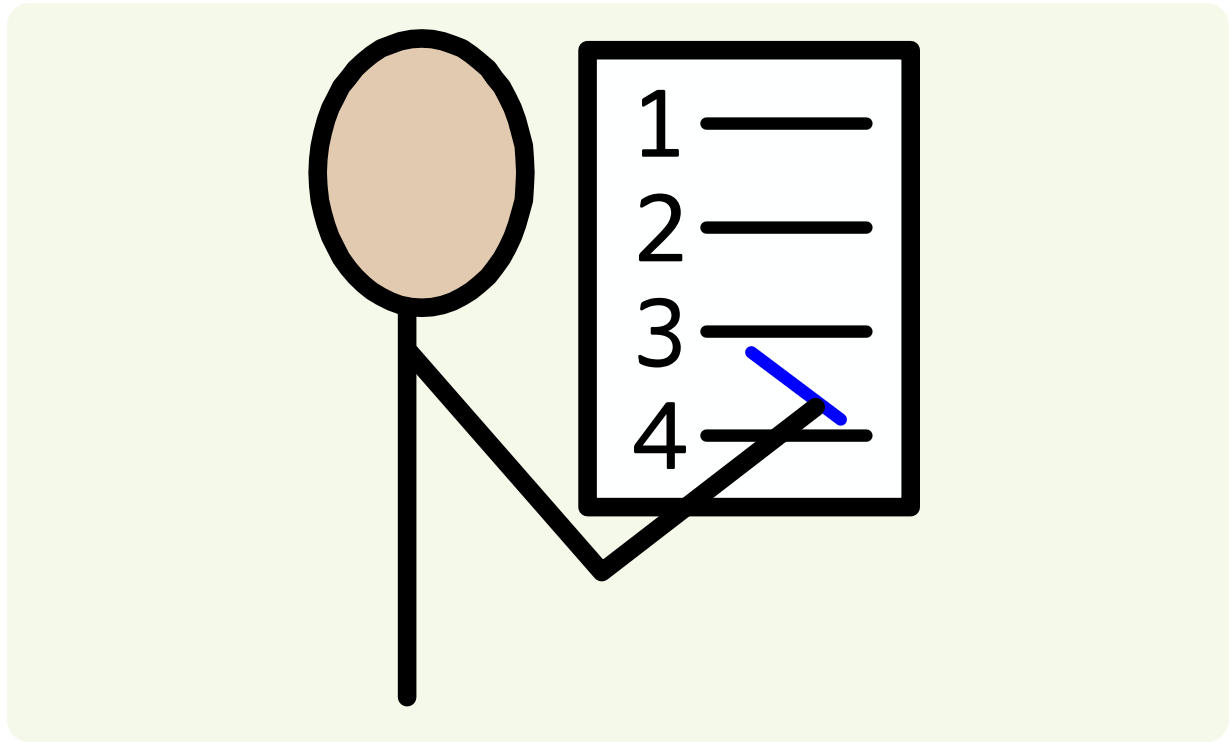


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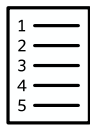
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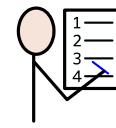
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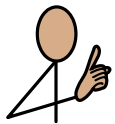
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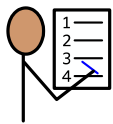
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You must



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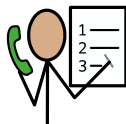
you can



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You can



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The council



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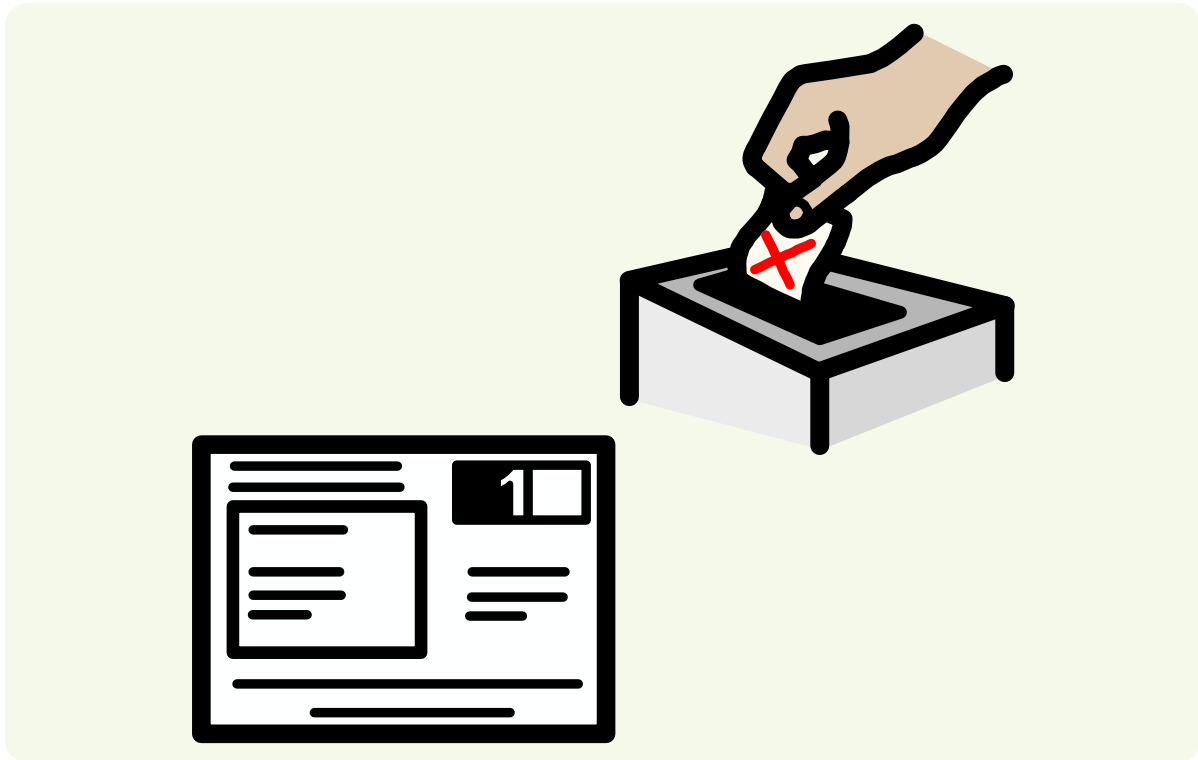
polling cards



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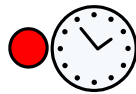
the list.



The polling card



arrives in the post



before

an



election.



The polling card



has



important



information on it.



It has the name,



address

and



electoral

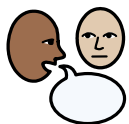
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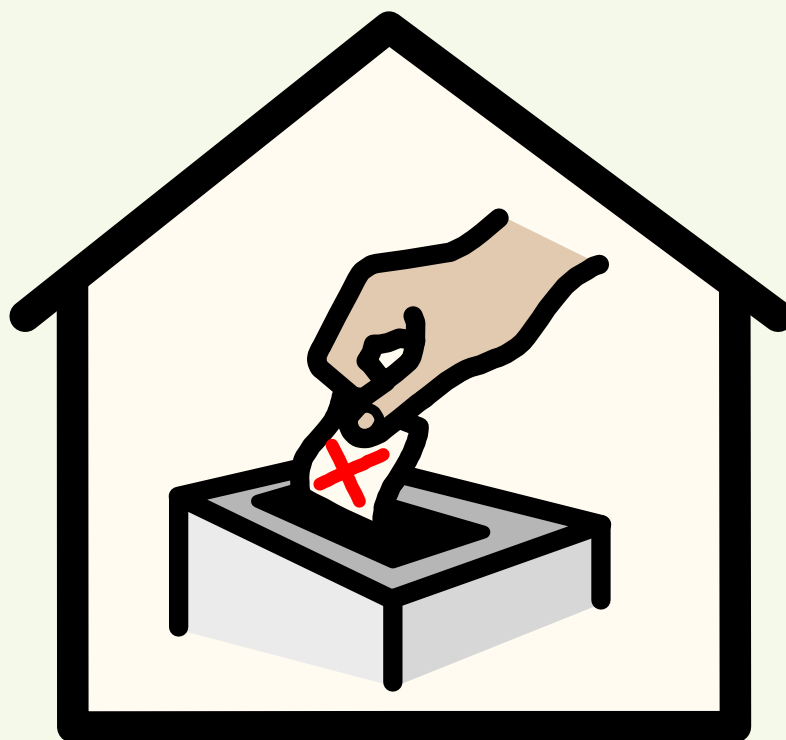
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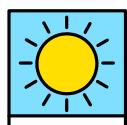
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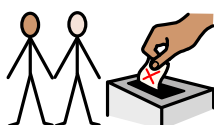
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On election



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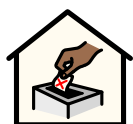
voters



go to



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Polling stations

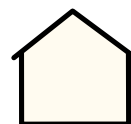
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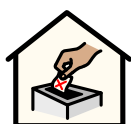
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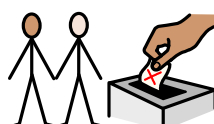


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At the polling station

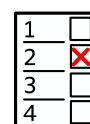


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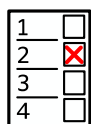
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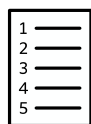


a ballot paper.



A ballot paper

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a list of



the politicians

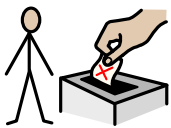


you can



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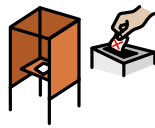
1	☐
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4	☐



The voter



goes to

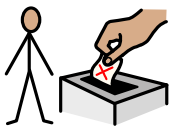


a polling booth

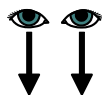
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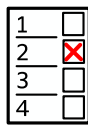
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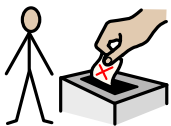
They



read



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They



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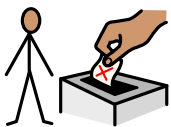


a person

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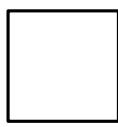
political party.



They



put a cross



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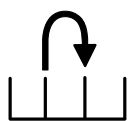
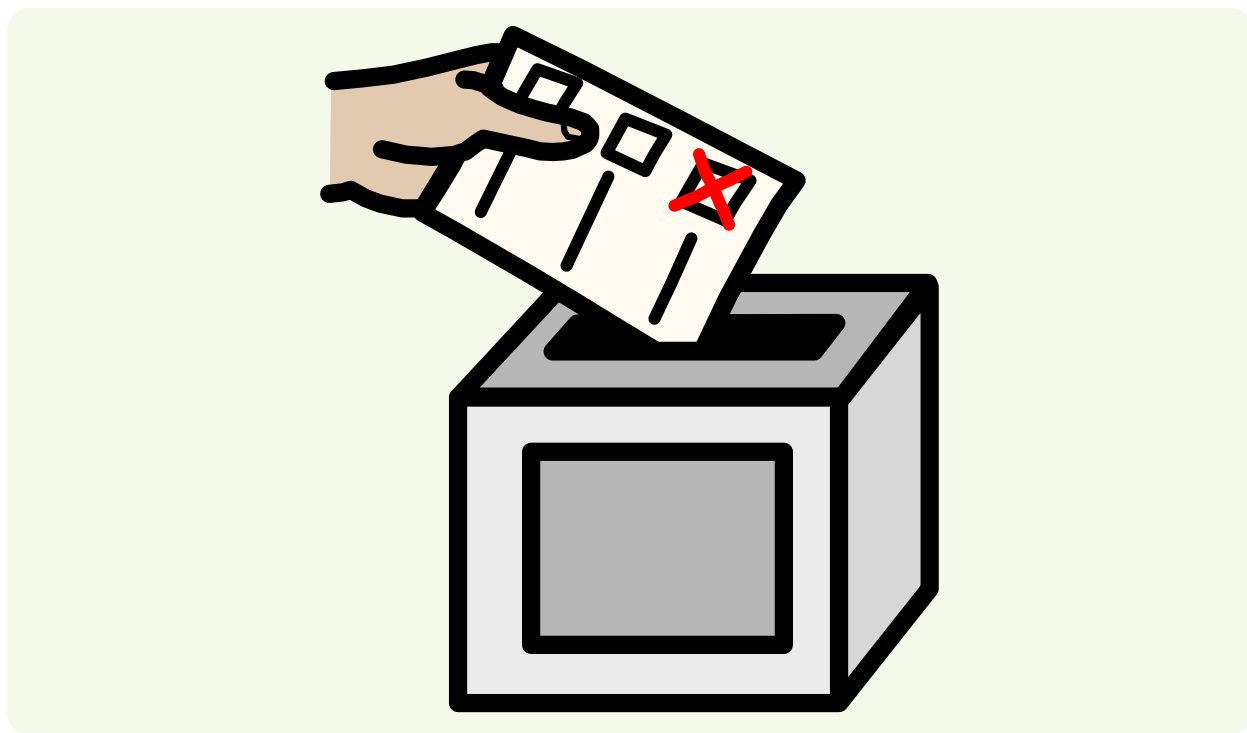
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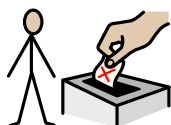
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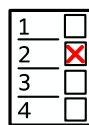


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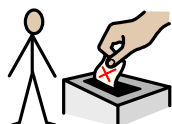
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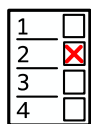
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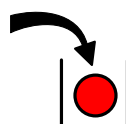
They



put



the ballot paper



into



the ballot box.



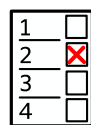
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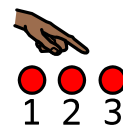


is over



the ballot papers

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The winner

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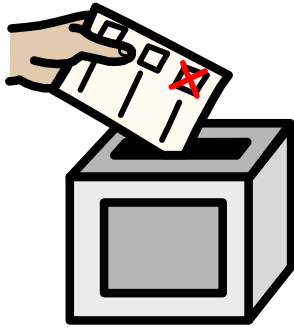
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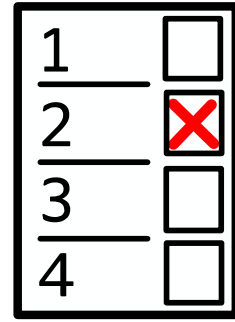
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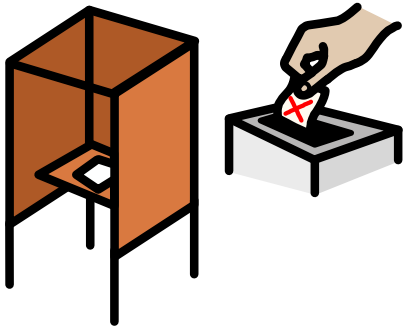
votes.



ballot box



ballot paper



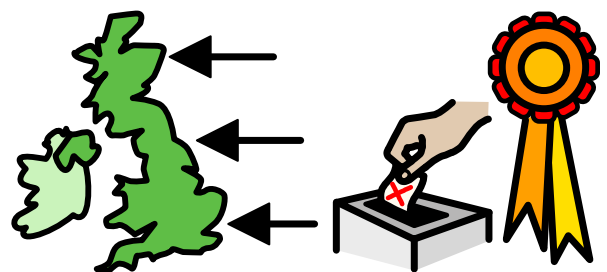
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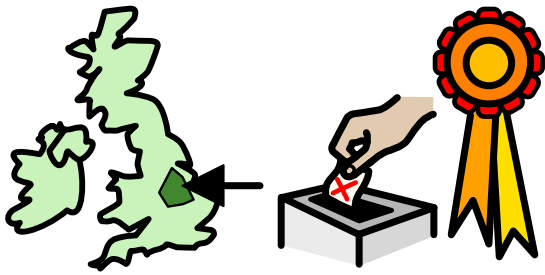
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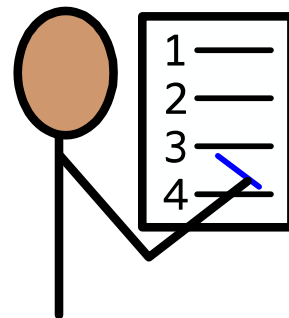
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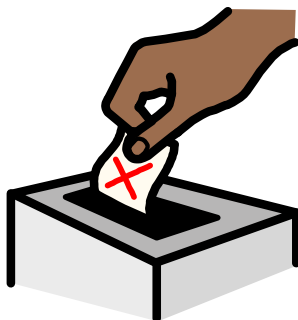
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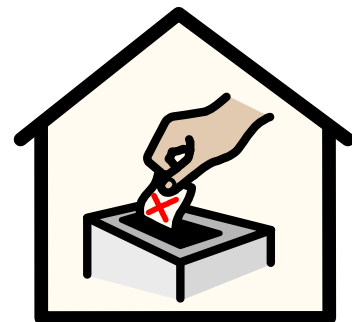
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