

# V is for Vote

Voting Day, also called Election Day, is the day people get to vote for their leaders and laws. In most countries, votes are made on a piece of paper called a ballot. In some countries, though, voting is a lot like it was when it began, thousands of years ago. In the African country of Gambia, people vote by placing a pebble in a bucket. In Appenzell, Switzerland, people gather in the center of town and raise their hands to vote!

Gather your friends or family together to take a vote. The question can be anything you like. For example, which color do you like best, blue or green? You might color one of the circles below green, and one blue. Have everyone place a bean in the circle they choose. Then, count the beans to see which side won! To make it like a real election, don't peek when others cast their votes.

