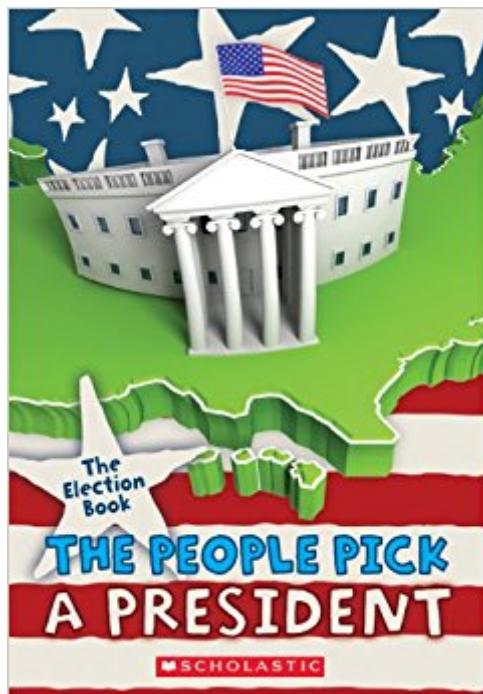


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# The Election Book: The People Pick A President



## **Synopsis**

The U.S. Presidential Election is the toughest race in the world to win. Find out what it takes to become the Commander in Chief! Since we have a government of the people, by the people, and for the people, it's important the people--including you--know what goes on during an election year and how the people pick a president. Every four years, Americans elect a new president. The election is the top story on television shows and in the news nearly every day for the year leading up to the election. Yet most people don't know very much about how the election really works. Who votes? Who can run? What happens on election day? What does it take to win? Young readers will learn all this and more in this updated edition of THE ELECTION BOOK--just in time for the 2012 election.

## **Book Information**

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Age Range: 8 - 12 years

Grade Level: 3 - 7

## **Customer Reviews**

We are generally happy with this book. We bought it for our 6-year-old son to teach him about the election process before the upcoming election. I would say it's probably around 3rd grade reading level, so we have to help him with the hard words, but he's enjoying it. The text is engaging and has kept him interested. The sections are short and well organized with helpful topic headings. The electoral college section is especially good -- I don't think I fully understood the history behind the electoral college myself until now. The downside for us -- and this is admittedly coming from left of center -- is that my husband and I felt the book had a slightly conservative slant in the wording and

choice of examples. The parts about President Reagan and Rush Limbaugh stuck with me, as well as the wording about the liberal radio response to conservative talk radio (I was slightly annoyed; my husband rolled his eyes... the conservative talk hosts have spirit and power, but the liberal hosts don't have specific names). Someone on the right might feel it gives equal weight to both sides. It definitely doesn't have a liberal slant. My only suggestion for future editions would be to watch possible bias and maybe shorten the sections on internet fundraising and the talk radio specifics. Otherwise it is a great resource.

This was a great book that really went deep into the process in which elections work. Especially this year (as a Presidential Election Year) this book is a great introduction or refresher for anyone, and especially children, so that they understand what is happening around them. The book is written in a way that all can understand, and hopefully by reading it, children will become more informed, more active voters in the future (as we need that in my perspective).

This was a good informative book about the president and election process. It is geared towards children but I found some of my own questions answered. It was helpful when my kids started asking questions about the upcoming election last year. None of my kids wanted to read it front to back but for each question we pulled the book out and used it as a reference. I'm glad we have it on our bookshelf so they can be more informed about the whole process.

I got this as part of my Toys for Tots Gifts this year. I wanted to share with young readers how to pick a president.

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