

## ANSWER KEY

## VOCABULARY

Match the words on the left with explanations on the right

1. E
2. A
3. C
4. F
5. B
6. D
7. G

Match the collocations

1. pick a candidate
2. primary election
3. make a choice
4. hold conventions
5. party allegiance
6. victory speech

## LISTENING FOR GIST

True or false?

1. Choosing a new president is a long and complex process. TRUE
2. Some states are more important than others. TRUE
3. In the primary election, all the states vote at the same time and on the same day. FALSE
3. There are three main political parties. FALSE

## LISTENING FOR DETAIL

1. What are primaries? When do they take place?  
The primary election, also called primaries, is when republicans and democrats pick their candidates for president. It takes place between January and June.
2. What is a caucus state?  
Caucus states are the ones where, on election night, voters gather in meetings and openly make their choice. It was once a common way of nominating a presidential candidate, but nowadays it only takes place in a 5th of US states.
3. Is New Hampshire a caucus (kɔ:kəs/ state? Why (not)?  
No, it is not. It's a more typical election where voters go into a polling booth.
4. What are swing states?  
They are very important states as it is there where election is usually decided. They are states where the population often changes their party allegiance.

5. Why do some states have more electoral college votes than others? The number is decided on their population.