

Election Word Problems

1. Polling stations are open for 15 hours from 7am. What time do they close?
2. The first voter arrives at the polling station a quarter of an hour before it opens. What time do they arrive?
3. 143 people are waiting in the queue to vote. A short while later, 124 more people arrive. Next, a bus full of 106 voters arrive. How many people are now queuing?
4. 167 people are now waiting to vote. 150 people are allowed in. How many people are now left in the queue?
5. If you are unable to attend your local polling station, it is possible to send your vote by post. The price of a 1st class stamp is 62p. The price of a 2nd class stamp is 53p. How much cheaper is it to send your vote by 2nd class post than by 1st class post?

Greater depth instructions- For each question write how you work out the answers and show your working out.

Remember to explain your working out, not to just write the answers.

6. How much will it cost to send 5 votes by post using 1st class stamps only?
7. A person can not vote until they are 18 years old. John is only 9 years old. How many more years will he have to wait before he is allowed to vote?
8. The winner received 426 votes. The loser received 45 fewer votes. How many votes did the loser get?
9. 4 boxes of pens have been ordered for filling in the ballot papers. There are 56 pens in each box. How many pens are there in total?
10. 3 ballot boxes are now full. There are 153 ballot papers in each one. How many ballot papers are there in total?