

My Vote My Voice Definition Sheet

Democracy	This is a name we give to places where ordinary people get to choose who's in charge.
Voting	This is something we do in elections. It is how we say who we want to be in charge of big decisions.
Local Elections	This is our chance to vote for people to represent us on our local council. Sometimes we can also vote for mayors in this election.
Councillor	This is a person who represents the views of local people on the council.
Council	This is a group of elected people who look after your local community.
Political party	This is a group of people who share similar ideas about what is right for the country. They want to work together to achieve change.
General Elections	This is your chance to vote for a Member of Parliament (MP) to represent you in Parliament.
MP	This is an ordinary person who has decided that they want to help run the country. Their job is to go to Parliament and explain what people who live in their local area think about key issues.
Parliament	This is the place where laws are made.
Cabinet Minister	This person runs a government department.
Prime Minister	This person runs the country with the help of the Cabinet Ministers.