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Voting Time

No one knows who will win on Election Day. But that doesn't stop people from predicting, or guessing, the results. How are your predicting skills? Read the speeches by our fake candidates. Then use the information from the speeches to answer the questions below.

I'm Tommy Turtle, and I want your vote. This is the first time I am running for the U.S. House of Representatives, so I will take new ideas to Washington, D.C. If elected, I will give money to schools. I will also support U.S. troops.



Vote for me! I'm Rachel Raccoon. I have worked as a U.S. representative for 12 years. If you pick me, I will help create more jobs for Americans. I will also make sure that all U.S. children can afford to see doctors.



1. Katie Kangaroo has four kids in school. She wants to make sure they get a good education. **Whom is she most likely to vote for?**

Why? _____

2. Gina Giraffe lost her job last year. She hasn't been able to find a new one. She needs to support her family. **Whom is she most likely to vote for?**

Why? _____

3. Max Mouse is in the U.S. Army. He thinks protecting Americans and their freedoms is important. **Whom is he most likely to vote for?**

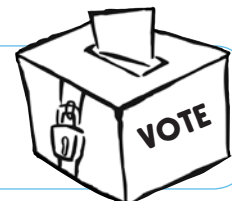
Why? _____

4. Louis Lizard has a good job and a nice house. He likes the way the government is being run. **Whom is he most likely to vote for?**

Why? _____

GET WRITING

Would you vote for Tommy Turtle or Rachel Raccoon? Why? On a separate piece of paper, write a paragraph explaining your answer. Be sure to include at least two reasons why you chose that candidate.



ANSWERS

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1. Tommy Turtle: He says he will give money to schools.
2. Rachel Raccoon: She says she will help create more jobs.
3. Tommy Turtle: He says he will support U.S. troops such as Max Mouse.
4. Rachel Raccoon: She has been a U.S. representative for 12 years. Plus Tommy Turtle says he has new ideas for how the government should be run.