

(Q) How is the president in US elected?

Aus: The general elections in US take place every 4 years. In order to US President the candidate must fulfill the following three requirements:

- 1) Candidate must be 35 years old.
- 2) Should be born in US
- 3) Lived the previous 14 years in the US

The election process commences in January or February of the election year with the primary political parties choosing their candidate for election. Primaries and caucuses are arranged to select the suitable candidates from each party. Primaries



are organised by the state and local authorities using ballot to vote for presidential candidates from political parties and caucuses are organised by the political parties themselves to vote for a ~~suitable candidate~~ to select suitable candidates through discussion. Each party holds its national convention in which one final candidate is selected to run for the Presidential Election. After the candidate has been chosen, they start their campaigns throughout the country. They articulate their ideas and the changes they will bring, trying to win the support of voters. On the election day, voters go to the polling booths voting for their preferred candidate. The ~~President~~ instead is chosen through a process of Electoral college system. The Electoral college system grants each state a number of electors based on ~~its~~ the number of seats they have in senate and house of Representatives. In total, there are 538 electors (435 House of Representative + 100 seats + 3 Washington D.C.). On the election day, the public votes for. A candidate has to ~~be~~ be voted by at least 270 electors in order to become the president. ~~The~~ The president is then sworn in on the ~~inaug~~ inauguration day on 20<sup>th</sup> January at U.S Capitol building in Washington D.C.