

Voting Rights, Elections & Democracy: Books for Young People Ages 5-10

League of Women Voters of Brookline MA Citizen Education Project

Note: Age designations are *approximate*; books can be enjoyed by readers older or younger.

Also, books may be available in additional formats, such as ebooks or audiobooks.

Elections & Voting Today

If I Ran for President, by Catherine Stier, illustrated by Lynne Avril. Albert Whitman, 2008. 9780807535448 (PB). Ages 5-9.

I Voted: Making a Choice Makes a Difference, by Mark Shulman, illustrated by Serge Bloch. Neal Porter Books / Holiday House, 2020. 9780823445615 (HC). Ages 4-8.

One Vote, Two Votes, I Vote You Vote, by Bonnie Worth, illustrated by Aristides Ruiz and Joe Mathieu. Random House Children's Books (The Cat in the Hat's Learning Library), 2016. 9780399555985 (HC). Ages 5-8.

Understanding U. S. Elections and the Electoral College, by Grace Houser. PowerKids Press, 2018. 9781538327968 (PB). Ages 8-11.

V Is for Voting, by Kate Farrell, illustrated by Caitlin Kuhwald. Henry Holt and Company, 2020. 9781250231253 (HC). Ages 4-6.

Vote!, by Eileen Christelow. Clarion Books, 2018. 9780618247547 (HC); 9781328499226 (PB). Ages 6-9.

Vote for Our Future, by Margaret McNamara, illustrated by Micah Player. Schwartz & Wade, 2020. 9781984892805 (HC). Ages 4-8.

A Vote Is a Powerful Thing, by Catherine Stier, illustrated by Courtney Dawson. Albert Whitman & Co, 2020. 9780807584989 (HC). Ages 4-7.

We Can Vote, by Ann Bonwill. 9780531137727 (PB). Other titles in the series: *We Have a Constitution* 9780531137734 (PB) and *We Have a Government* 9780531137741 (PB). Rookie Read-About Civics / Children's Press, 2019. Ages 5-7.

What Is a Presidential Election? by Douglas Yacka, illustrations by Robert Squier and others. Penguin / Random House, 2020. 9780593095614 (PB). Ages 8-12.

What's the Big Deal about Elections? by Ruby Shamir, illustrated by Matt Faulkner. Philomel Books / Penguin Random House, 2018. 9781524738075 (HC); 9780593116401 (PB). Ages 6-10.

Who Can Vote?, by Kristen Rajczak Nelson. PowerKids Press, 2018. 9781538330173 (PB). Ages 7-10.

Voting Rights

Bold & Brave: Ten Heroes Who Won Women the Right to Vote, by Kirsten Gillibrand, illustrated by Maira Kalman. Alfred A. Knopf / Random House Children's Books, 2018. 978052557901 (HC); 9780593302668 (PB).

Equality's Call: The Story of Voting Rights in America, by Deborah Diesen, illustrated by Magdalena Mora. Beach Lane Books / Simon & Schuster Children's Publishing, 2020. 9781534439580 (HC). Ages 5-11. <https://deborahdiesen.com/voting/>

Finish the Fight: The Brave and Revolutionary Women Who Fought for the Right to Vote, by Veronica Chambers and the Staff of the New York Times. Houghton Mifflin Company, 2020. 9780358408307 (HC).

Friends for Freedom: The Story of Susan B. Anthony & Frederick Douglass, by Suzanne Slade, illustrated by Nicole Tadgell. Charlesbridge, 2016. 978-1580895682 (HC); 9781580895699 (PB). Ages 5-8.

Granddaddy's Turn: A Journey to the Ballot Box, by Michael S. Bandy, illustrated by James Ransome. Candlewick Press, 2015. 9780763665937 (HC); 9781536205619 (PB). Ages 6-9.

How Women Won the Vote: Alice Paul, Lucy Burns, and Their Big Idea, by Susan Bartoletti, illustrated by Ziyue Chen. HarperCollins Children's Books, 2020. 9780062841308 (HC). Ages 9-12.

Lillian's Right to Vote: A Celebration of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, by Jonah Winter, illustrated by Shaun W. Evans. Schwartz & Wade / Random House Children's Books, 2015. Ages 5-9. 9780385390286 (HC).

Marching for Freedom: Walk Together Children and Don't You Grow Weary, by Elizabeth Partridge. Viking Books for Young Readers / Penguin Random House, 2009. 9780670011896 (HC). Ages 9-14.

Questions and Answers about Women's Suffrage, by Kate Light. PowerKids Press, 2019. 9781538341360 (PB). Ages 8-11.

The Voice That Won the Vote: How One Woman's Words Made History, by Elisa Boxer, illustrated by Vivien Mildenerger. Sleeping Bear Press, 2020. 978-1534110496 (HC). Ages 6-10. sleepingbearpress.com/teaching_guide

The Voting Rights Act of 1965: An Interactive History Adventure, by Michael Burgan. Capstone Press, 2015. 9781491418031 (HC); 9781491418055 (PB). Ages 8-12.

Why Couldn't Susan B. Anthony Vote? And Other Questions about Women's Suffrage, by Mary Kay Carlson. Sterling Children's Books, 2015. 9781454912415 (HC); 9781454912422 (PB). Ages 8-10.

Our Government

Brookline Close-Up 2019-20: A Citizens Guide to Town Government. League of Women Voters of Brookline/Sara K. Wallace Fund for Voter Education. To request a copy, please email your request with your street address: info@lwvbrookline.org.

Government & Democracy, by Charlie Ogden. Crabtree Publishing Company, 2017. 9780778732662 (HC), 9780778733492 (PB). Ages 9-13.

Grover Cleveland, Again!, by Ken Burns, illustrated by Gerald Kelley. Knopf Books for Young Readers, 2016. 978-0385392099 (HC). Ages 9-14.

If I Were President, by Catherine Stier, illustrated by DyAnne DiSalvo-Ryan. Albert Whitman & Co., 1999. 9780807535424 (PB). Ages 5-8.

A More Perfect Union: The Story of Our Constitution, by Betsy Maestro, illustrated by Giulio Maestro. HarperCollins, 1990. 9780688101923 (PB). Ages 6-10.

The Presidency: Why It Matters to You, by Karen Kellaher. A True Book/ Children's Press, 2019. 9780531231852 (HC); 9780531239971 (PB). Ages 8-10.

The U. S. Congress: Why It Matters to You, by Melissa McDaniel. A True Book / Children's Press, 2020. 9780531231821 (HC); 9780531239940 (PB). Ages 8-10.

The U. S. Constitution: Why It Matters to You, by Moira Rose Donohue. A True Book / Children's Press, 2019. 9780531231838 (HC); 9780531239957 (PB). Ages 8-10.

We the People: The Constitution of the United States, by Peter Spier. Dragonfly Books / Random House Children's Books, 2020. 9780385376174 (HC); 9780593128084 (PB). Ages 5-9.

We the People: The United States Constitution Explored and Explained, by Aura Lewis and Evan Sargent. Wide Eyed Editions / Quarto Publishing, 2020. 9780711254046 (HC). Ages 9-13. <https://www.wethepeople-book.com/readtheconstitution>

When You Grow Up to Vote: How Our Government Works for You, by Eleanor Roosevelt with Michelle Markel, illustrated by Grace Lin. Roaring Brook Press, 2018. 9781626728790 (HC). Ages 6-11.