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Arbetsblad

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Vocabulary

RESULTS OF THE US ELECTION

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| election | val |
| a victory | en seger |
| stock market | börs |
| housing market | bostadsmarknad |
| tax | skatt |
| to earn | att förtjäna |
| to pay attention | att uppmärksamma |
| to persuade | att övertala |
| issue | problem |
| to re-join | att gå med i igen |
| liveable | beboelig |
| to fade away | att blekna, att tyna bort |

While Listening: Comprehension Questions

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1. What is special about Kamala Harris? Name **ONE** thing that is mentioned.

2. What does Joe Biden say?

- a. He is happy that he has won the election.
- b. It is clear that he has won the election.
- c. He is hopeful that he will win the election.
- d. People should be faithful to him.

3. TRUE or FALSE.

In the USA, the person with the most votes always wins the election.

4. What does Dalton Dismuke say?

- a. A president's economic plan is important to him
- b. The stock market is not important to him
- c. He needs money in the stock market to vote.
- d. Biden's economic plan is better than Trump's.

5. What does Biden's tax policy mean for Dalton?

6. What do we find out about Ruby?

- a. She voted for Trump.
- b. She's a first-time voter.
- c. She decided not to vote.

7. Which issue is the most important for Ruby?

8. What does Ruby think about Biden's climate plan?

9. Which agreement is Biden planning to re-join?

After Listening: Discussion Task

In the USA, there has been a lot of tension between people who vote for different political parties. They have a hard time getting on with each other. Have you ever had trouble dealing with somebody who thinks differently to you? Can you work with someone you disagree with? What kind of tips can give to someone who is struggling with this problem? How is the best way to deal with conflict or tension? What do you think? Discuss with a classmate.

After Listening: Plan an Election Party!

In the USA, lots of people celebrated that Biden won the election. Now it is your turn to celebrate. Work together with a classmate and plan an election party! You need to agree on a date, time and place, but also on who you are going to invite. Is there going to be some sort of theme (maybe a USA-theme?) Do you want people to come in costumes? What kind of decorations do you need for your party? What food would you like to serve? Who will buy the food and who will prepare it? What kind of drinks would you like to serve? Will you have any activities or party games? How about music? Live music, a DJ or a playlist? Give examples of some good songs you could play! You could also discuss invitations to your election party with your classmate. What would you like them to look like? What important information needs to be included on them?

After Listening: Writing Task

After hearing about the election in the United States, you remember that your cousin, Jimmy, lives in North Carolina! Write an email to him asking what it is like there. You know he is 18, and that he can vote – ask him how he feels about the result.

Don't forget to start your email with a friendly opening phrase, and ask how Jimmy and his family are doing. You haven't spoken to him since before the summer holidays, so you should also include some information with you here in Sweden. Update Jimmy on the latest things that are happening in your life.

Answers

1. She's the first female Vice President, she's the first black Vice President, she's the first South Asian vice president.
2. b.
3. False
4. a.
5. He (might/will) have to pay more (corporation) tax.
6. b.
7. Climate policy / environmental policy / climate change / climate crisis
8. "It's awesome"
9. The Paris Climate Agreement (which Donald Trump left)