EVA exercises for last week

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1. Presidential elections

1.1. How to become president of the United States

1. fullfill the requirements
   - natural born citizen
   - over 35 years old
   - U.S. resident for over 14 years
2. group together with other people of the same Ideology → a party
3. win favor of other party members through campaigns
4. select the party-candidate through an election or discussions
5. present the party-candidate to the public
6. elect vice presidential candidate
7. win support of general population through campaigns
8. population votes for favoured candidate
9. some weird state stuff happens (each state has a specific number of votes, which party a state votes for is determined by the majority of votes in that very state[1] , a state sends delegates to Washington to vote as a proxy of the state)
10. the candidate with more than half of the total votes wins

1.2. Quiz — What do you know about the U.S. election?

1. The U.S. Presidential elections are held every **four** years.
2. The members of the Hous of Representatives are elected every **six** years.
3. The members of the Senate are elected every **eight** years.
4. The two major parties in the U.S. are called **the Democrates and the Republicans**.
5. What are the animal symbols of the major political parties?
   a donkey and an elephant
6. What is the maximus number of terms a U.S. President can serve?
   four

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[1]meaning that all parties except the "major one" don't gain any votes

7. General elections in the U.S. are usually held in **November**.
8. Presidential candidates for each party are nominated in **national conventions**.
9. The new President of the U.S. is inaugurated on **January 20th**.
10. The U.S. President lives and works in **the White House**.

1.3. Where do they stand? Domestic policies of Trump and Harris

collections of topics:
- inflation/economics
- abortion
- health care
- climate change
- taxes
- illegal immigration

topic	the annoying orange[2]	Harris
inflation/economics	cancel subsidies for electric cars and renewable energies	price control, keeping inflation in check
abortion	use federization instead of U.S.-wide solution	U.S.-wide right to choose to abort
health care	cancel "Obamacare" and replace with alternate system (no further details)	in favor of keeping "Obamacare"
climate change	declines human-made-climate-change and wants to remove environmental regulations	supports fracking (but didn't before), supports renewable and efficient energy
taxes	wants to lower taxes for all classes/layers	plans to raise taxes for the wealthy-bunch, support small businesses, raise Child Tax Credit
illegal immigration	wants to further regulate immigrations, forcibly deport people associated with criminal organizations, keep immigrants with a degree	wants to keep immigration as-is

1.4. How to influence elections

1.5. Where do you stand on some political issues?

my funny debate challgenge: What is your best counter argument to the No, the electoral college ensures representation of the whole country instead of just major cities position on Electoral College?

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[2]Trump

While this is true in itself, the electoral college makes it impossible to vote for smaller parties, which leads to voters having to choose between the parties, meaning that until it is abolished, voters are trapped in a two-party system.
Another point would be that representation isn't that much different from the current system, as voting as the majority of a state would mean that 40% of that state's votes would be lost to the system.

Figure 1: my results

1.6. Word field

2. New topic