

Exercises on Tim and Moby's "The mysteries of Life"

A. Find synonyms in the text:

1. rich = _____
2. principal = _____
3. a question, topic or problem = _____
4. to employ = _____
5. impartially = _____

B. Find the English equivalents for the following words in the text:

6. citoyen: _____
7. se présenter aux élections présidentielles: _____
8. au moins: _____
9. le course (aux présidentielles): _____
10. montrer de que l'on vaut: _____
11. un colistier: _____
12. programme électoral: _____
13. les soins médicaux / la santé (ici): _____
14. politique étrangère: _____
15. la Chambre des Représentants: _____
16. assez (de qqch, en quantité): _____
17. serré(e): _____
18. la loi: _____
19. défier ou contester: _____
20. un avocat: _____

C. Right or Wrong ? Justify by quoting from the text (give the number of the line) :

1. You have to be rich to be a candidate for the presidency.
 R / W : line(s) _____ : _____

2. Nominating conventions take place after Election Day.
 R / W : line(s) _____ : _____

3. The electoral process in the same as in France : one man, one vote.
 R / W : line(s) _____ : _____

4. The number of « Electors » depends on the size of each state.
 R / W : line(s) _____ : _____

5. The person who gets elected in November has to wait more than 2 months before becoming President.
 R / W : line(s) _____ : _____

6. In 2000, George W.Bush won the election although he had less popular votes than Al Gore.
 R / W : line(s) _____ : _____
