

ballot

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1. ['bælət] *n*

1. избирательный бюллетень, баллотировочный шар

2. 1) баллотировка тайное голосование (*тж.* secret ballot)

single ballot - выборы с одной баллотировкой

successive ballots - выборы с несколькими баллотировками

to elect /to vote/ by ballot - избирать тайным голосованием

2) *амер.* голосование (*тж.* открытое)

peace ballot - референдум

to take a ballot - проводить голосование; ставить на голосование

our candidate was defeated on the third ballot - в третьем туре голосования наш кандидат провалился

3. список кандидатов для голосования

he demanded his name to be placed on the ballot - он требовал, чтобы его кандидатуру включили в список для голосования

4. результаты голосования; количество поданных голосов

5. жеребьевка

6. право избирать

2. ['bælət] *v*

1. 1) проводить (тайное) голосование; баллотировать

2) *амер.* голосовать

to ballot for [against] smb. - голосовать за [против] кого-л.

2. тянуть жребий

to ballot for places - *спорт.* проводить жеребьевку

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небольшая кипа

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bal·lot [ballot ballots balloted balloting] *noun, verb* *BrE* ['bælət] ¹ *NAmE*['bælət] ²*noun*1. **uncountable, countable** the system of voting in writing and usually in secret; an occasion on which a vote is held• The chairperson is chosen by **secret ballot** .• The union cannot call a strike unless it **holds a ballot** of members.2. (*BrE* also **'ballot paper**) **countable** the piece of paper on which sb marks who they are voting for• What percentage of eligible voters **cast their ballots** ?3. **the ballot singular** the total number of votes in an election

• She won 58.8% of the ballot.

see also ↑pollWord Origin:mid 16th cent. (originally denoting a small coloured ball placed in a container to register a vote): from Italian **ballotta**, diminutive of **balla**.Collocations:**Voting in elections***Running for election***conduct/hold** an election/a referendum*(especially NAmE)* **run for** office/election/governor/mayor/president/the White House*(especially BrE)* **stand for** election/office/Parliament/the Labour Party/a second term**hold/call/contest** a general/national election**launch/run** a presidential election campaign**support/back** a candidate**sway/convince/persuade** voters/the electorate**appeal to/attract/woo/target** (*NAmE*) swing voters/*(BrE)* floating voters**fix/rig/steal** an election/the vote*Voting***go to/be turned away from** (*especially BrE*) a polling station/*(NAmE)* a polling place**cast a/your vote/ballot** (for sb)**vote for** the Conservative candidate/the Democratic party**mark/spoil** your ballot paper**count** (*BrE*) the postal votes/*(especially NAmE)* the absentee ballots**go to/be defeated** at the ballot box**get/win/receive/lose** votes**get/win** (60% of) the popular/black/Hispanic/Latino/Muslim vote**win** the election/*(in the US)* the primaries/a seat in Parliament/a majority/power**lose** an election/the vote/your majority/your seat**win/come to power in** a landslide (victory) (= with many more votes than any other party)**elect/re-elect sb (as)** mayor/president/an MP/senator/congressman/congresswoman

Taking power

- be sworn into office/in as president
- take/administer (in the US) the oath of office
- swear/take (in the UK) an/the oath of allegiance
- give/deliver (in the US) the president's inaugural address
- take/enter/hold/leave office
- appoint sb (as) ambassador/governor/judge/minister
- form a government/a cabinet
- serve two terms as prime minister/in office
- more collocations at ↑economy, ↑politics

Synonyms:

election

vote • poll • referendum • ballot

These are all words for an event in which people choose a representative or decide sth by voting.

election • an occasion on which people officially choose a political representative or government by voting: ▪ Who did you vote for in the last election?

vote • an occasion on which a group of people vote for sb/sth: ▪ They took a vote on who should go first.

poll • (journalism) the process of voting in an election: ▪ They suffered a defeat ▪ at the polls ▪.

referendum • an occasion on which all the adults in a country can vote on a particular issue

ballot • the system of voting by marking an election paper, especially in secret; an occasion on which a vote is held: ▪ The leader will be chosen by secret ballot.

Ballot is usually used about a vote within an organization rather than an occasion on which the public vote.

a national/local election/vote/poll/referendum/ballot

to have/hold/conduct a(n) election/vote/poll/referendum/ballot

Example Bank:

- Only 40% of eligible voters cast their ballots.
- The club members decided in a ballot to suspend the captain.
- The jury cast their vote by secret ballot.
- They voted against him at the second ballot.
- a ballot for the Conservative leadership
- a ballot on the new contracts
- a ballot over strike action
- The leader will be chosen by secret ballot.
- The union cannot call a strike unless it holds a ballot amongst its members.

verb

1. **transitive** ~ sb (on sth) to ask sb to vote in writing and secretly about sth

Syn: ↑poll

- The union balloted its members on the proposed changes.

2. **intransitive** to vote secretly about sth

- The workers balloted for a strike.

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	ballot
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	NAme / 'bælət/
he / she / it	ballots
	BrE / 'bæləts/
	NAme / 'bæləts/
past simple, past participle	balloted
	BrE / 'bælətɪd/
	NAme / 'bælətɪd/
-ing form	balloting
	BrE / 'bælətɪŋ/
	NAme / 'bælətɪŋ/

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Example Bank:

- The workforce will be balloted over strike action.

See also: ↑ballot paper

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Longman DOCE 5th Ed. (En-En)

1. **ball** ˈbɒl¹ / 'bælət/ BrE " AmE " noun

[Date: 1500-1600; Language: Italian; Origin: ballotta, from balla (⇒ ↑balloon¹); because small balls were used for voting]

1. [uncountable and countable] a system of voting, usually in secret, or an occasion when you vote in this way:

- " The party leader is elected by secret ballot.
 - " Workers at the plant held a ballot and rejected strike action.
2. **[countable]** a piece of paper on which you make a secret vote **SYN ballot paper**:
 - " Only 22% of voters cast their ballots.
 3. **the ballot** the total number of votes in an election **SYN the vote**:
 - " He won 54% of the ballot.

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- **election** an occasion when people choose a government or leader by voting: the American presidential election | South Africa held its first multi-racial elections in 1994.
- **ballot** /'bælət/ an occasion when the members of an organization vote by marking what they want on a piece of paper, especially to make sure that it is secret: The result of the ballot showed that nurses were not in favour of a strike.
- **referendum** /,refə'rendəm/ an occasion when everyone in a country votes on an important political subject: In the Danish referendum, the people voted 'no' to joining the European single currency.
- **the polls** the process of voting in a political election – used especially in news reports: 4,500,000 voters went to the polls in eight provinces to elect six governors.
- **show of hands** an act of voting informally for something by the people in a group raising their hands: May I have a show of hands from all those in favour of the proposal?

II. **ballot**² *BrE* * *AmE* * *verb* [intransitive and transitive]

1. to ask someone to vote for something
 - ballot on/over**
 - " Train drivers are being balloted on industrial action.
2. to vote for something
 - ballot for**
 - " Staff balloted for strike action yesterday.

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- **vote** [intransitive and transitive] to show which person or party you want, or whether you support a plan, by marking a piece of paper, raising your hand etc: I've voted Democrat all my life. | You can vote for your favourite singer. | A majority of the people voted for independence. | In tomorrow's election, many young people will be voting for the first time.
- **elect** [transitive] to choose a leader, representative, or government by voting, so that they become the new leader, representative etc: He was elected mayor of London. | the newly-elected government | I think we should start by electing a new chairman.
- **go to the polls** if a country or voters go to the polls, they vote in an election - used especially in news reports: The US goes to the polls in November. | The economic crisis could well be a decisive factor when voters go to the polls this autumn.
- **take a vote** if a group of people at a meeting take a vote, they vote about something: We should take a vote on whether or not to accept their offer. | They took a vote and picked Bernard.
- **cast your vote** *formal* to mark a piece of paper, call a telephone number etc in order to vote: The first votes have been cast in the country's general election. | Click here to cast your vote.
- **ballot** [transitive] to ask the members of an organization to vote on something in order to decide what to do: The union will ballot its members on whether to go ahead with the strike action.
- **veto** [transitive] to vote against something that other people have agreed on, so that it cannot happen: The president has the right to veto any piece of legislation.

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