

Children's Books Dealing with Elections

Ballot Box Battle by Emily Arnold McCully: [The Battle Box book link](#)

Caldecott medalist Emily Arnold McCully delivers the inspiring story of a young girl named Cordelia whose relationship with her neighbor, the great suffragist Elizabeth Cady Stanton, inspires her to a remarkable act of courage. Cordelia learns a lesson about the rights and abilities of girls and women throughout her time with Elizabeth. Suggested for ages 3-7.

The Day Crayons Quit by Drew Daywalt: [The Day Crayons Quit book link](#)

Poor Duncan just wants to color. But when he opens his box of crayons, he finds only letters, all saying the same thing: His crayons have had enough! They quit! Blue crayon needs a break from coloring all those bodies of water. Black crayon wants to be used for more than just outlining. And Orange and Yellow are no longer speaking—each believes he is the true color of the sun. What can Duncan possibly do to appease all of the crayons and get them back to doing what they do best? Suggested for ages 3-6.

The Night Before Election Day by Natasha Wing: [The Night Before Election Day book link](#)

It's the night before an election and we go through all the emotions with a young citizen. She expresses her opinions and questions and shows the importance of participating in elections. Suggested for ages 3-5.

V is for Voting by Kate Farrell: [V Is For Voting book link](#)

An engaging introduction to the tenets of democracy, *V Is for Voting* is a playful, poetic, and powerful primer about the importance of voting and activism. Featuring Kate Farrell's rhyming text and Caitlin Kuhwald's bold art, plus thoughtful back matter, the book is a gorgeous, and crucial, addition to every young reader's library. It makes the perfect gift for fans of *A Is for Activist*, *Woke Baby*, and *Feminist Baby*. Suggested for ages 3-6.

Everyone Get a Say by Jill Twiss: [Everyone Gets a Say book link](#)

This group of friends can't come to a decision on what to do with an unused piece of land, they decide they need a leader to help. Yet then they need to figure out how to pick who's in charge and how everyone can still have a say and opinion. Eventually they come to a mutual decision emphasizing the importance of using your voice. Suggested for ages 4-8.

One Vote, Two Vote, I Vote, You Vote by Bonnie Worth: [One Vote, Two Vote, I Vote, You Vote book link](#)

This Dr. Seuss' style book goes over the basics of voting and elections, connecting it back to the presidency and American history. It explains democracy, political parties, and civic duties so kids learn the importance of voting. Suggested for ages 4-8.

President Taft is Stuck in the Bath by Mac Barnett: [President Taft is Stuck in a Bath book link](#)

When First Lady Nellie Taft comes in to find her husband stuck in the tub she helps him summon his office heads. The Vice President, the Secretaries of state, agriculture, war, navy, treasury, and interior all have suggestions for ways to get him out. They suggest everything from butter to money to dynamite! Nellie suggests that they all pull together (including the dog!) with hilarious results. Suggested for ages 4-8.

What's the Big Deal About Elections by Ruby Shamir: [What's the Big Deal About Elections-Amazon book link](#)

Providing a wide range of information, this book covers elections and why they matter. Answering the questions like who gets to vote or what elected officials do in office, it provides more details into how elections work and why they are so important in our country. Suggested for ages 4-8.

Duck for President by Doreen Cronin: [Duck For President book link](#)

Duck lives a normal life out on the farm but decides to hold an election to become head of the farm when he gets upset with his assigned chores. He wins the election but realizes head farmer is hard work and decides to continue running for different positions until he becomes president. Yet once he is president he finally understands the amount of work that comes with the position and decides to return to his farm and write a memoir on his experiences. Suggested for ages 5-10.

Grace for President by Kelly DiPucchio: [Grace for President- Amazon book link](#)

After finding out there has never been a woman president, Grace is inspired to run in her school's mock presidential election. Her opponent, Thomas, is a very popular student who does little campaigning, whereas Grace works to reach out to all the students and promise improvements. In the end, the election comes to a close victory for Grace and she celebrates her win. Suggested for ages 5-9.

If I were President by Catherine Stier: [If I Were President book link](#)

Imagine living in the White House, a mansion where you wouldn't have to leave home to go bowling or see a movie! Imagine a chef to cook anything you like. "Two desserts, Madam President? No problem!" If you were president, there would be a lot of work to do too. You would be in charge of the armed forces, give important speeches, and work with Congress to create laws for the whole country! Suggested for ages 5-8.

My Teacher for President by Kay Winters: [My Teacher for President book link](#)

Just in time for election season, a nomination teachers and students alike will endorse. Oliver has been learning about the president's job, and his teacher would be the perfect candidate. She loves white houses, she's used to being followed everywhere, she attends lots of meetings, she finds jobs for people, and she believes in peace. Images of Oliver's teacher depicted during a typical school day are contrasted with scenes of his heroine carrying out presidential duties. Suggested for ages 5-8.

The President of the Jungle by André Rodrigues, Larissa Ribeiro, Paula Desgualdo and Pedro Markun: [President of the Jungle book link](#)

The king of the jungle Lion has not been prioritizing what the other animals want so they decide to hold an election for king. After Snake, Sloth, and Monkey decide to run, Lion announces he will as well, making the election chaotic. They all compete to win King while explaining the election process. Suggested for ages 5-8.

Vote For Me by Ben Clanton: [Vote For Me book link](#)

Hey, you! Yes, you with the dazzling smile! The donkey wants your vote. So does the elephant. And each will do just about anything to win your support. Soon, the tension mounts, and these two quarrelsome candidates resort to slinging mud (literally) and flinging insults. And what happens when the election results are in? Well, let's just say the donkey and the elephant are in for a little surprise --- and a certain bewhiskered, third-party candidate is in for a first term. Vote for Me! is a timely satire of American politics, but it's a story readers of all nationalities and ages will recognize. Suggested for ages 5-6.

Vote! By Eileen Christelow: [Vote! book link](#)

Eileen Christelow's Vote! is an upbeat and informative introduction to voting. Parties, voter registration, campaigns, rallies, debates, Election Day, even a recount . . . all are clearly presented in a graphic format as the story of a local election unfolds, with hilarious commentary by the candidates' pets. Choosing our own government is one of our most cherished rights. This book is the perfect guide to how our democracy works. Suggested for ages 6-9.

My American Story - How My Vote Counts: What Does it Mean to be a Citizen By Jennifer Kaul: [My American Story - How My Vote Counts: What Does it Mean to be a Citizen- Book link](#)

This book explores the roles and responsibilities of citizens and the importance of fulfilling these and political involvement. Including historical context such as the Bill of Right or Civil War, it draws a connection between these events and citizenship. Suggested for ages 7-9.