

Why Tuesday? Listening Questions

1. Tuesday was set for voting back in 1845 in order to
 - a. allow newspapers to print the ballots on the Monday before.
 - b. accommodate the farmers and other agrarian voters.
 - c. because the first 4th of July was a Tuesday.
 - d. to give clerks enough time to have the results by that Friday.

2. In voter turnout and participation, how does the United States ranks compare with other global democracies?
 - a. among the highest.
 - b. among the lowest.
 - c. in the middle.
 - d. tied for lead.

3. Many cannot participate in voting because of their jobs so one idea to increase turnout is to
 - a. create a national holiday.
 - b. offer extended voting hours before and after work.
 - c. create more polling places in industrial areas.
 - d. put all voting online.

4. One way candidate Obama suggested to make it easier to vote is to have
 - a. a national holiday.
 - b. video voting.
 - c. weekend voting.
 - d. digital voting

5. According to Thomas Paine, one of America's Founding Fathers, the right to vote
 - a. should be given to those motivated enough to vote.
 - b. should never be altered.
 - c. should be difficult and for those strong willed and determined
 - d. protects all other rights.

6. Lower voter turnout indicated to the founders of Why Tuesday? that
 - a. people just do not care.
 - b. there is a conspiracy to suppress the vote.
 - c. the system is broken and democracy is not running right.
 - d. voting is not that important an issue.

7. "Why Tuesday?" feels that since the voting system has not been changed since 1845, it is time for an upgrade. By that, they mean
 - a. American has to go to online voting.
 - b. something has to be done to improve the turnout.
 - c. the entire system has to be scrapped.
 - d. all of the above