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## Question and answer

① - The right to vote was not always a universal right. In early democracies, only some people were allowed to vote.

- Lower caste and also ~~the~~ women were not allowed to vote because they thought that they are not talented or intelligent like men or upper caste.

For example, in UK only male landowners who ~~the~~ were protestant by faith, could vote.

In South Africa till as 1994, non whites were not allowed to vote in national elections.

② Elections are the process by which the citizens of a democracy select or choose their representatives. Requirements for fair election:

1. All citizens should have only one vote and all votes should carry the same value.
2. They should have choices. In India we have many political parties and candidates to choose from. This makes our democracy true and vibrant.
3. Election should be held regularly.
4. Election should be conducted in an atmosphere free of fear or violence.
5. There should be no compulsion on the voters to vote for particular candidate.

③ Indian National Congress (INC), ~~BJP~~  
Bharatiya Janta Party (BJP), Samajwadi Party, Biju Janta Dal (BJD)

④ When a member of parliament or state legislature dies in office or resigns, election are held in his or her constituency before the completion of five years is called bye-election.

If for a certain reason, the ~~reason~~ president on the advice of prime minister, dissolves the Lok Sabha or a state assembly, elections will be conducted ahead of five years is called mid-term election.

5. To make election truly representative each state is usually divided into a number of small units called constituencies.

Some constituencies are reserved for people from more disadvantaged background like people from ~~the~~ scheduled castes and tribes.

They are people who have been discriminated against for generations due to the caste system.

87. Single party system - China, have a single party system, here people have limited choice of candidates. All the candidates are from the same party and party has tremendous power which it can at times misuse to crush the freedom of the people.

Two party system: The USA and UK, have two party ~~syn~~ system. In USA people choose either the democratic ~~part~~ party or Republican

party. They elect ~~to~~ elect selects a party based on the stand the party takes the different issues.

Multi-party system: India have a multi party system where the elector~~ate~~ can chose from several parties, each with its own agenda, or plan of action, for tackling issues facing the nation.

8. When no single party wins majority seats to form the govt., a group of political parties who may have common interests come together to collectively achieve the majority and form the govt. This type of govt is called Coalition government.

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