

**UK votes for Brexit****READING**

1. The following notes refer to parts of the text. Find the most suitable paragraph for each note.

		Paragraph	
a)	results of the vote		
b)	who supported which side?		
c)	reactions on the Brexit vote		
d)	the next prime minister		
e)	The Brexit vote will change the situation for British people living in other countries of the EU and also for Europeans in the UK.		
f)	what the Brexit formally means		
g)	A lot of young people don't want Britain to leave the EU.		
h)	Scotland might even leave the UK.		
i)	arguments of the Leave campaigners		
j)	why Mr Cameron wanted the vote		
k)	arguments of the Remain campaigners		
l)	what voters had to decide on		

If you put the letters in the third column in the order the paragraphs have in the text you will know what leave campaigners wanted from Europe.

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2. Read the text and decide whether the following statements are true or false or not in the text.

	true	false	not in the text
a) The Brexit will cause more unemployment in the UK.			
b) Nigel Farage initiated the referendum.			
c) Leave campaigners argued that with the Brexit, the number of immigrants to the UK could be reduced.			
d) Nigel Farage has regretted his decision to lead the anti-EU-campaign.			
e) The Scottish First Minister thinks that Scotland should be able to remain in the EU.			
f) The UK will leave the European Union at once.			

## VOCABULARY

1. Find synonyms or synonymous expressions for the following words from the text. Do not change the meaning of the sentences.

- a) believed (paragraph 2) \_\_\_\_\_
- b) once and for all (paragraph 2) \_\_\_\_\_
- c) remain (paragraph 3) \_\_\_\_\_
- d) campaigned (paragraph 4) \_\_\_\_\_
- e) creates (paragraph 6) \_\_\_\_\_
- f) difficult (paragraph 6) \_\_\_\_\_

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g) as (paragraph 8) \_\_\_\_\_

h) taken place (paragraph 9) \_\_\_\_\_

i) immediately (paragraph 10) \_\_\_\_\_

j) particularly (paragraph 12) \_\_\_\_\_

### 2. Find the opposites of the following words.

a) after (paragraph 1) \_\_\_\_\_

b) turbulent (paragraph 1) \_\_\_\_\_

c) stronger (paragraph 5) \_\_\_\_\_

d) difficult (paragraph 6) \_\_\_\_\_

e) against (paragraph 6) \_\_\_\_\_

f) likely (paragraph 8) \_\_\_\_\_

g) future (paragraph 9) \_\_\_\_\_

h) upset (paragraph 12) \_\_\_\_\_

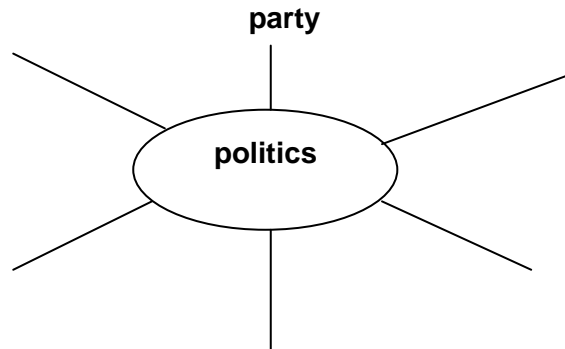


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3. Complete the following mind map by adding words mentioned in the text.



4. Work with a partner and match the following words from the text with the correct definitions:

1. majority

2. turbulent

3. century

4. to separate

5. to resign

6. referendum

a) the possibility to ask people directly about certain political issues

b) the period of one hundred years

c) to give up an office or position

d) the larger part of a group

e) to divide, to keep apart or to disconnect

f) disturbing, confusing

**Now ask your partner to explain three words again without looking at the definitions. After that it is your turn to explain the remaining three words.**

### GRAMMAR

**In a TV programme, different journalists expressed their opinions.  
Complete the following if-clauses:**

1. If Britain stayed in the EU, people who voted for 'remain' ..... (be) happy.
2. If Britain ..... (leave) the EU, living in Europe will be more complicated for British people.
3. If David Cameron had known that the majority of people wanted to leave the EU, he probably ..... (not, call) for the referendum.
4. If Boris Johnson hadn't supported the 'leave' campaign, the Brexit people ..... (not, win).
5. If Britain leaves the EU, Scotland ..... (hold) a second referendum.
6. If Theresa May ignored the referendum, the Brexit people.....(protest) and be outraged.

### WRITING

#### Task I: Work in groups

Create a poster: What Europe means to us

#### Task II

Write a letter to the editor and express your opinion on the article

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### SPEAKING

Find a partner and talk about the following prompts:

I

What does the EU mean to you?  
What are the advantages of being in this union?

II

If you had the chance to work abroad, which European countries would you prefer and why?

III

If there was a referendum about staying or remaining in the EU, which option would you choose and why?



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IV

Look at the picture above and describe it.  
Why do you think this German-British couple is worried about Brexit?

### ANSWER KEY

#### READING

1.

		Paragraph	
a)	results of the vote	7	N
b)	who supported which side?	4	I
c)	reactions on the Brexit vote	1	I
d)	the next prime minister	9	E
e)	The Brexit vote will change the situation for British people living in other countries of the EU and also for Europeans in the UK.	11	C
f)	what the Brexit formally means	10	N
g)	A lot of young people don't want Britain to leave the EU.	12	E
h)	Scotland might even leave the UK.	8	D
i)	arguments of the leave campaigners	6	E
j)	why Mr Cameron wanted the vote	2	N
k)	arguments of the remain campaigners	5	P
l)	what voters had to decide on	3	D

The word is: **INDEPENDENCE**

2.

- a) not in the text
- b) false
- c) true
- d) not in the text
- e) true
- f) false

### VOCABULARY

1.

- a) thought
- b) forever
- c) stay
- d) here: fought
- e) makes
- f) hard
- g) because
- h) happened
- i) at once
- j) especially

2.

- a) before
- b) calm, quiet
- c) weaker
- d) easy
- e) for
- f) unlikely
- g) past
- h) happy

3.

prime minister  
voters  
referendum  
election  
campaign  
right wing  
politicians  
integration  
to vote  
to resign

4.

1d 2f 3b 4e 5c 6a

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### GRAMMAR

1. would be
2. leaves
3. would not have called
4. wouldn't have won
5. will / may/ might hold
6. would protest

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