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Voting and the Electoral College

Multiple Choice Questions

1. What is a "safe state" in an election?
 - a) A state where voting is dangerous
 - b) A state with fewer than 3 electoral votes
 - c) A state that changes political parties often
 - d) A state that almost always votes for the same political party

2. Why do candidates spend more time in swing states?
 - a) They want to visit every state equally
 - b) Swing states are where either party could win
 - c) Swing states have more electoral votes than other states
 - d) Swing states are the smallest states in the country

3. How does the winner-takes-all system affect elections?
 - a) It gives all of a state's electoral votes to the candidate who gets the most votes in that state
 - b) It allows each state to divide its electoral votes equally among candidates
 - c) It lets people vote more than once
 - d) It gives only big states a chance to vote

4. Why might some people in safe states feel their vote doesn't matter?
 - a) Their state almost always votes for the same party
 - b) They don't like any of the candidates
 - c) They are not allowed to vote
 - d) They prefer to vote in other states

5. What is one reason some people think the Electoral College should change?
 - a) They think the president should be chosen randomly
 - b) They want only big states to vote
 - c) They believe every vote should count equally, no matter where a person lives
 - d) They believe the Supreme Court should pick the winner

