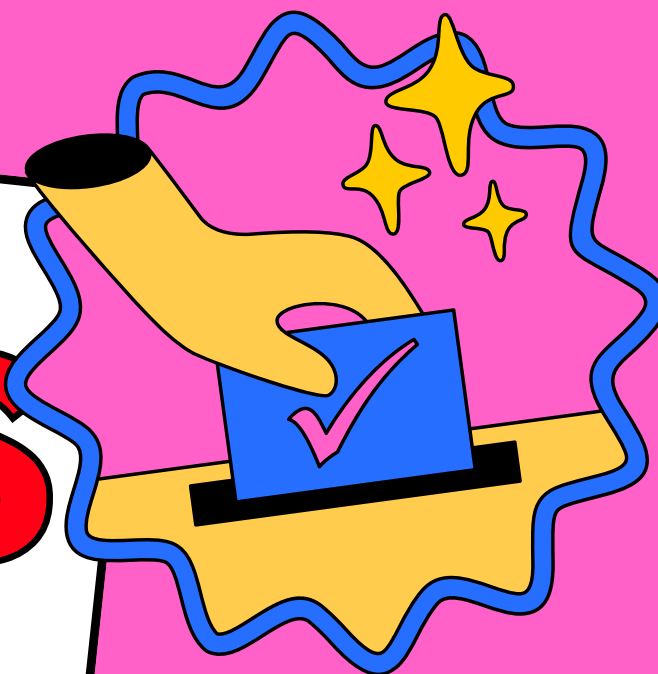




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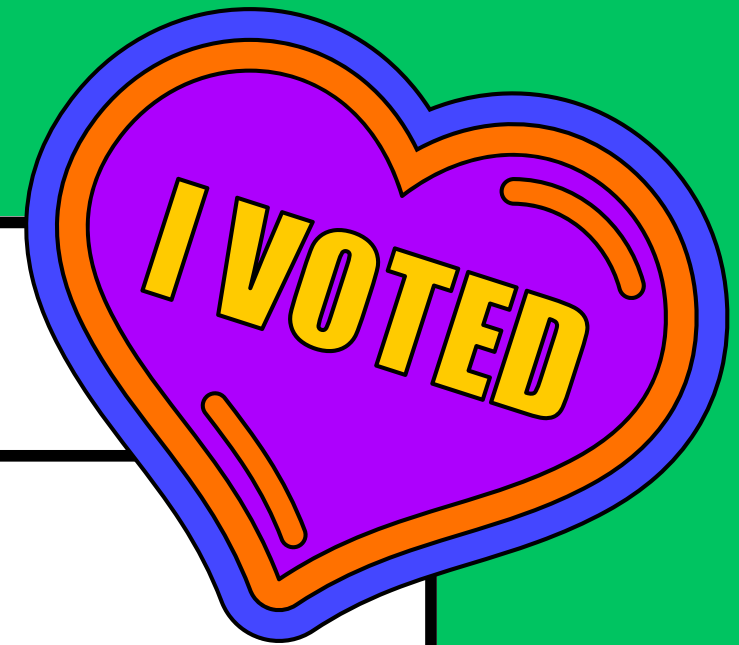
POLITICS





**HOW DOES DEMOCRACY IN
ISRAEL ACTUALLY WORKS?**

**VOTE
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GO VOTE

The Government



The Executive Branch
executes the laws

The Knesset



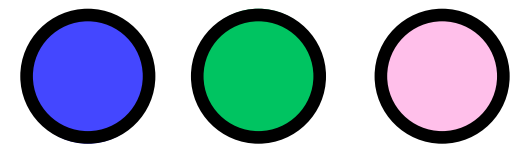
The Legislative Branch
writes the laws

The Supreme Court



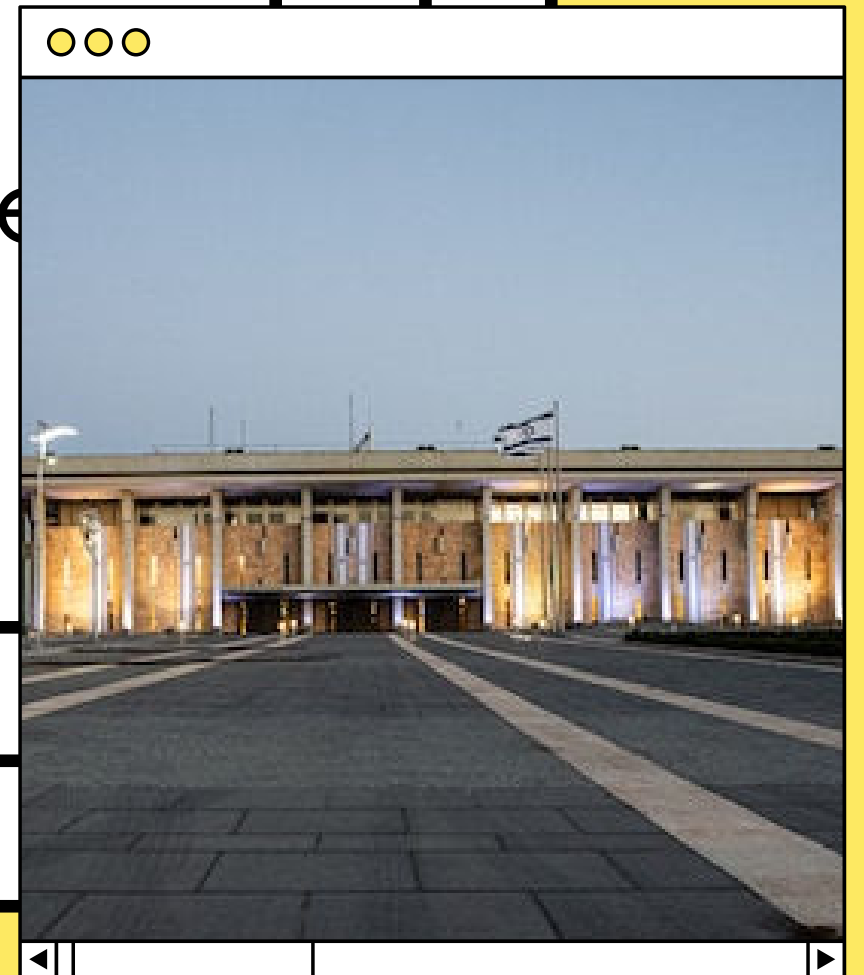
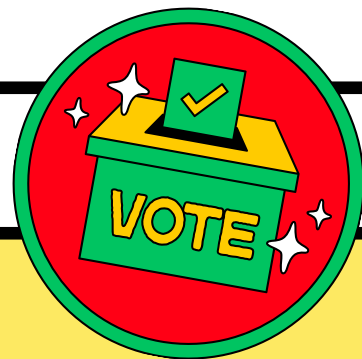
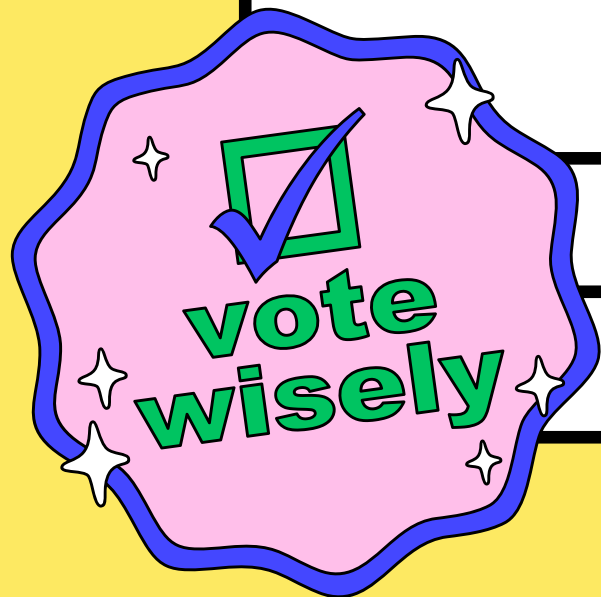
The Judicial Branch
interprets the laws





THE KNESSET

The Knesset is the legislative authority and the House of Representatives of the State of Israel. Its seat of residence is the Knesset residence in the Government Kiryat in **Jerusalem**. As a Israel being democratic, the citizens of the country choose their representatives.



The background image shows the interior of the Knesset, the Israeli parliament. It features a large, semi-circular chamber with rows of wooden desks and orange chairs. The walls are made of light-colored stone, and several Israeli flags are visible in the background. A large, semi-transparent circle is overlaid on the left side of the image, containing the title and a list of bullet points.

The Knesset – the Israeli Congress

- 120 members
- One house, not like in America!
- Writes and passes laws
- Elects the President
- Create and take down the government



The Government

- Led by the Prime Minister (like the President in the US)
- Has many ministers who are all in charge of different things (defense, money, economy, environment, etc)
- Unlike in America, the government is also democratic! Decisions are made by the entire government and not just by the Prime Minister

Elections happen every 4 years (or less)

We are now in the 5th election in the last 4 years

Every Israeli citizen who's at least 18 years old can vote

Unlike in America, Israelis vote for a party and not for a candidate!

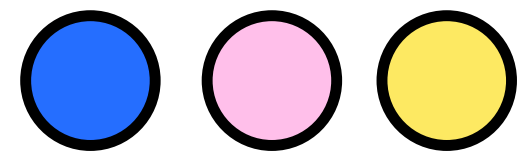
There are many parties in Israel and no party ever won a majority in the Knesset

A party must win 3.25% of the vote to make it to the Knesset

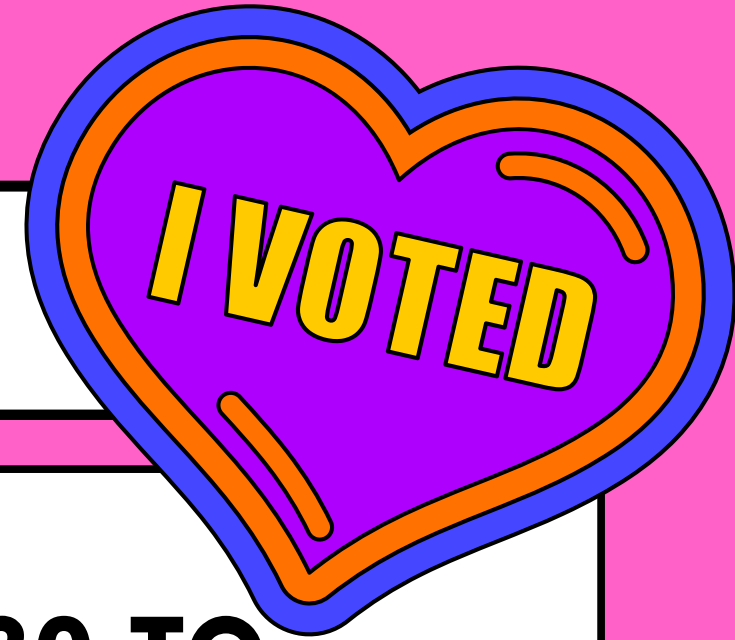
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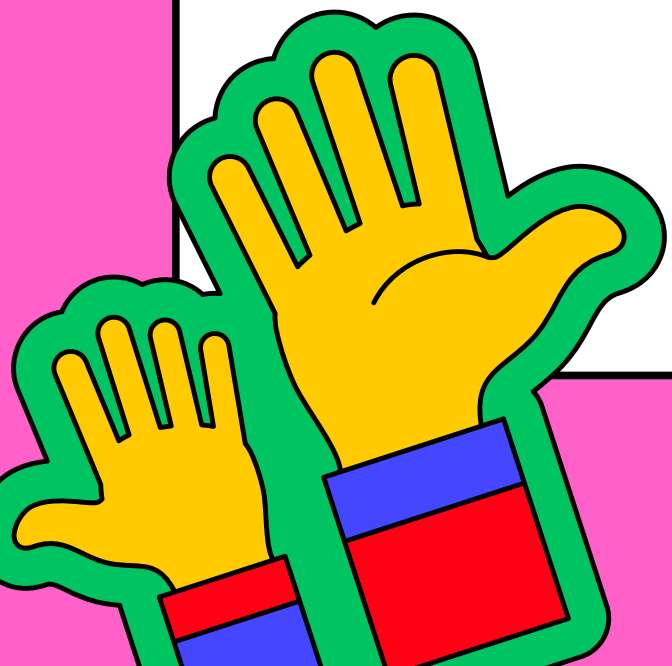


Its Not So Simple...



**ALL THE VOTES THAT ARE COUNTED DIVIDED BY 120 TO
SEE HOW MANY VOTES ARE NEEDED FOR ONE SEAT IN
THE KNESSET.**

**A GOVERNMENT NEEDS TO HAVE THE SUPPORT OF AT
LEAST 61 KNESSET MEMBERS (MAJORITY). THE PRESIDENT
GIVES A KNESSET MEMBER THE JOB TO FIND 61
SUPPORTERS AND BUILD A GOVERNMENT.**



Vote Now

הליכוד - LIKUD



- The biggest party since 2009 and has been in power for 12 years. Led by Benjamin Netanyahu
- Benjamin Netanyahu is still in the process of trial about the corruption cases
- **Stands for a free market, Jewish state and against unilateral withdrawal from the territories**



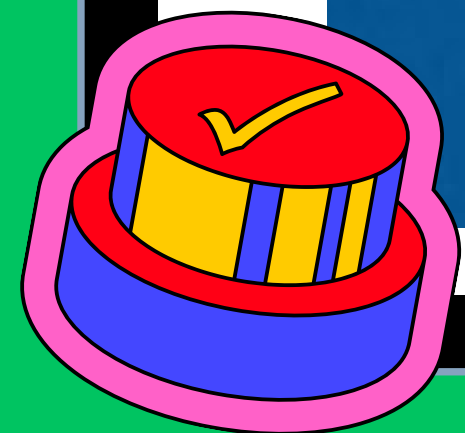
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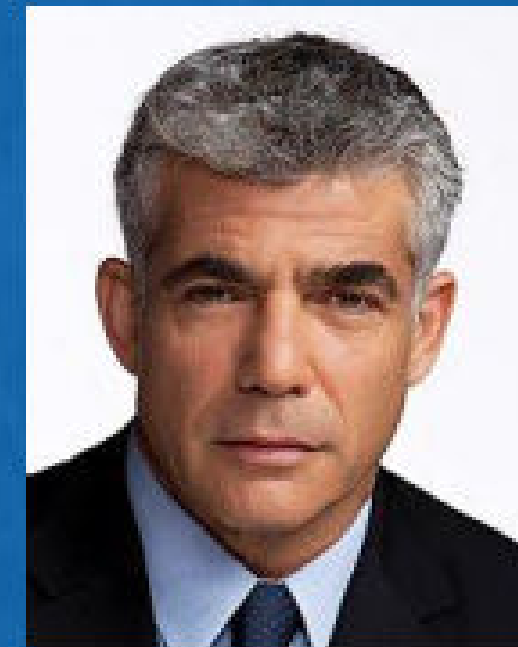
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יש עתיד - Yesh Atid

- Left Blue & White because they decided to join the government with Netanyahu in the past
- Wishes to replace Netanyahu. led by Yair Lapid
- **Stands for** a political solution without withdrawing from the territories, public transportation on Shabbat, LGBTQ equal rights.



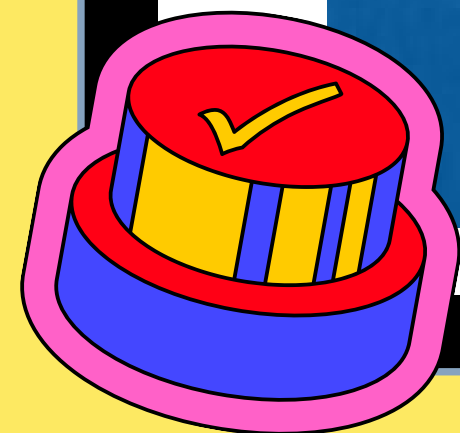
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יש עתיד
תל"ם

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המחנה הממלכתי - National Unity Party



- An Israeli political alliance made up of Benny Gantz's Blue and White party and Gideon Sa'ar's New Hope party, as well as former IDF Chief of Staff Gadi Eizenkot.
- The alliance was created to participate in the 2022 Israeli legislative election.



Current Mandate Status: 8

Left



Right



Israel Our Home – ישראל ביתנו

- A secularist and right-wing nationalist political party, and Russian-speaking Israelis Lead by Avigdor Liberman
- “Yes” to a Jewish state, “no” to a halakhic state
- Announced that will not collaboration with Netanyahu anymore
- Stands for mandatory recruitment for all, religious freedom, two-state solution, death penalty for terrorists



Current Mandate Status: 7



Left



Right



העבודה – Labor



- The Israeli Labour party was established in 1968, now led by Merav Michaeli.
- Labor - For years the party has been suffering from internal instability (since Rabin's assassination)
- Stands for a two-state solution, country without corruption, LGBTQ equal rights



Current Mandate Status: 7

Left



Right

העבודה



Meretz ("Israel's Left")

- Far left, Zionist, socialist, progressive party. Led by Zehava Galon
- Emphasize peace with the Palestinians, human rights for ethnic and sexual minorities
- Stands for a two-state solution, Israel is the state of the Jewish people and a state of all its citizens, complete separation of religion and state



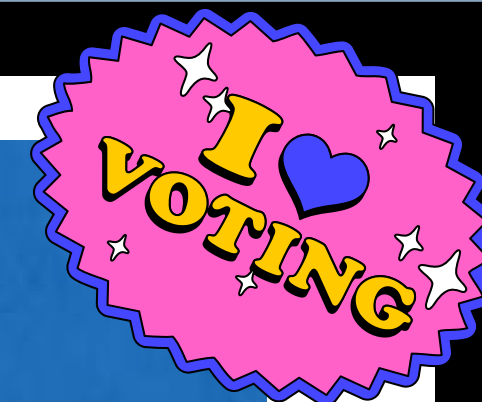
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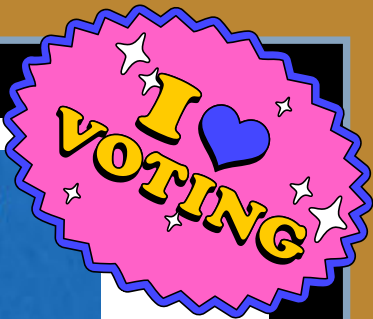


Left



Right





United Arabic list – רע"מ

- Arabic party, founded in 1996, lead by Mansour Abbas
- First Arabic party to be in the coalition.
- Stand for state of all its citizens Arabic rights the interests of the Arabic inside Israel.



Current Mandate Status: 4

القائمة العربية
الموحدة

Left  Right

Chada"sh Ta'a"l – חד"ש תע"ל

- Arabic party, lead by Aymen Odeh and Ahmed Tibi
- Stand for state of all its citizens Arabic rights the interests of the Arabic inside Israel.



Current Mandate Status: 4

חד"ש תע"ל

Left  Right

Torah-Observant Sephardim – ש"ס

- Led by Aria Deri who was convicted of bribery, fraud, and breach of trust, and given a three-year jail sentence
- At the end of 2012, ahead of the elections for the nineteenth Knesset, he returned to lead the "Shas" party
- Sefardic – Zionist Haredi party, only men
- Stands to promote the interests of the orthodox sefardic community, preserve the religious character of Israel



Current Mandate Status: 9



Left  Right

United Torah Judaism – יהדות התורה המאוחדת

- United Torah Judaism is a coalition of two, Led by Yaakov Litzman
- Ashkenazi – haredi party, only men
- Will not take a role of a minister
- Stands to promote the interests of the Haredi community, preserve the religious character of Israel



Current Mandate Status: 7

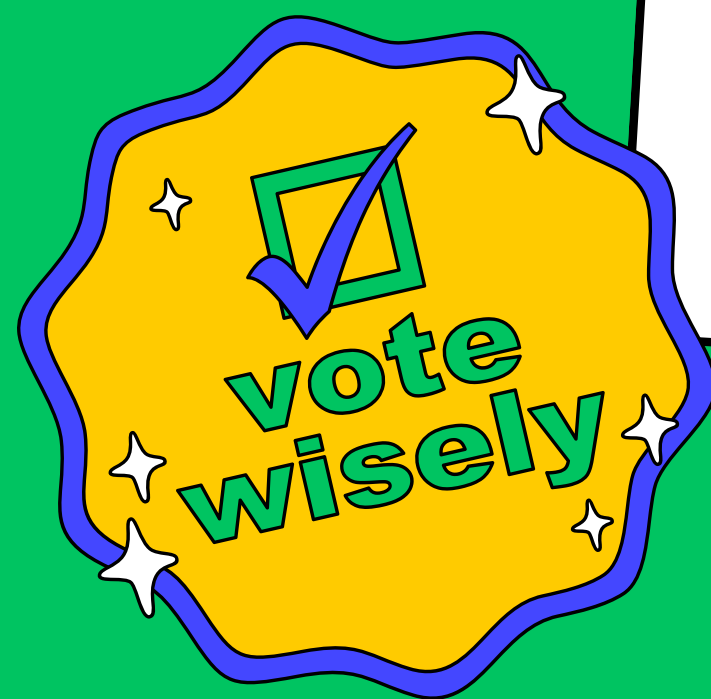


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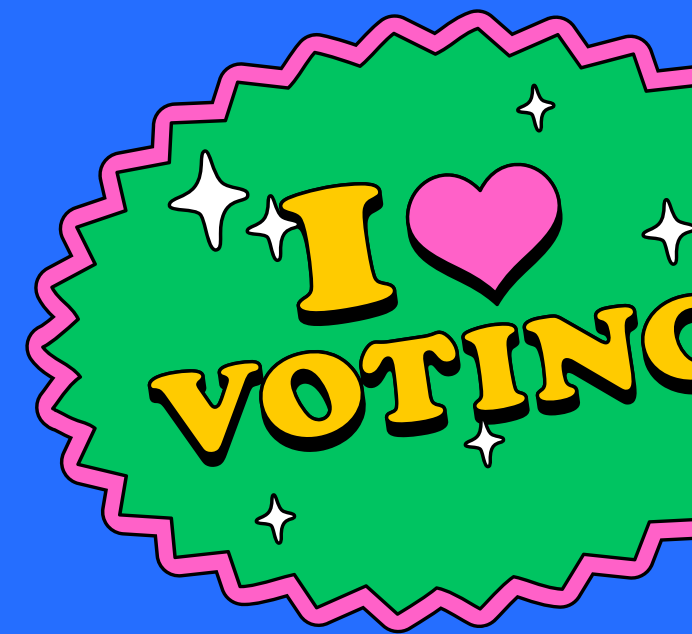
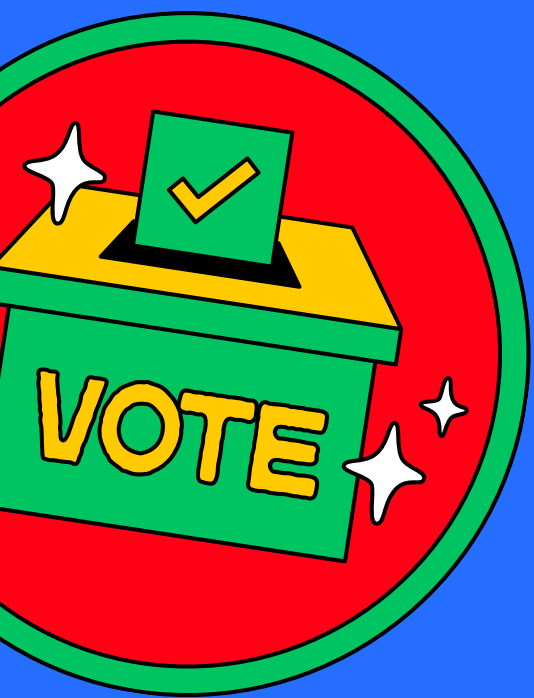
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YOUR VOICE
YOUR VOTE



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