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EUROPE TURNS ITS CLOCKS BACK SUNDAY — AMERICA WAITS ! 유럽은 이번 주 일요일

Daylight saving ends one week later in the United States : on Sunday, November 1. Do not change your clock this week !미국은 11월 1일에 시계를 돌려요 7면 참조

THE BIG STORY 헤드라인

First Votes, First Games : America's Biggest Week of the Autumn

By The Lucerna newsroom Reading level : A2

Election Day is Tuesday, November 3. But in much of America, the election has already started. This Monday, October 19, early voting opened in Texas – and in Alaska, Arkansas, Connecticut and Colorado too. Millions of people are asking the same questions : where do I vote, and when ?

Early voting is simple : you go to a voting place before Election Day, you show your ID, you mark your ballot, and your vote counts on election night. No November lines, no problem if you work on Tuesdays. In Texas, it runs from October 19 to October 30.

And that is only half of the week. On Tuesday night, the new NBA season tips off. On Friday night, the World Series begins in Milwaukee. On Sunday, the fastest cars in the world race in Austin, Texas.

One thing is sure : this year, baseball will have a champion for the very first time. The Milwaukee Brewers and the Tampa Bay Rays have never won the World Series. One of them will win it now. Our sport dossier is on page 4.

This is the first issue of The Lucerna in English. Every week, we read America's real life with you – slowly, clearly, and always from the week's real news. Welcome !

해설 — early voting 사전투표 · ballot 투표용지 · tip off 경기 시작 · champion 챔피언.

THE WEEK IN NUMBERS 숫자

Nov 3 – Election Day(선거일) · Oct 19 – early voting opens in Texas(텍사스 사전투표 첫날)

43 – NBA games from Tuesday to Sunday(이번 주 NBA 43경기) · 2 – teams in the World Series, both after a first title(두 팀 모두 첫 우승 도전)

TRY IT NOW 바로 연습

A2 1.
You mark your choice on a ___ and put it in the box.

A2 2.
Voting before Election Day is called ___ voting.

A2 3.
Election Day is Tuesday, ___.

A2 4.
The winner of the World Series is the ___ of baseball.

B1 5.
Early voting ___ in Texas on Monday, October 19.

B1 6.
One team will now win the World Series for the ___ time.

SEARCHES OF THE WEEK

이번 주 미국 인기 검색 Google Trends 스냅샷

1. early voting
2. world series schedule
3. hot dog recall
4. lakers roster
5. barca vs real madrid

Snapshots, Mon–Wed Oct 19–21 : search interest changes during the day.

"hot dog recall" 월요일 스냅샷 200K+, 2면 참조.

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THE WORD OF THE WEEK

« fall back »
when clocks go back one hour in autumn. Spring forward, fall back.

(시계) 한 시간 뒤로: fall back.



Boston fans at the Polo Grounds, New York, on October 8, 1912 : Game 1 of the World Series. The Fall Classic was already America's autumn ritual 114 years ago.

Bain News Service, Library of Congress — public domain

FALL, THE SEASON OF FIRSTS

Autumn in America is a season of firsts : the first votes, the first games, the first cold evenings. There is a first champion coming in baseball, and a first issue of this paper in your hands.

All week, our reporters follow the same rhythm : vote early, play hard, read slowly. See you on page 2 !

IN BRIEF 단신

WORLD SERIES
Game 1 is Friday night in Milwaukee. Neither team has ever won it. (page 4)

CLOCKS
Europe changes its clocks on Sunday. America waits until November 1. (page 7)

HALLOWEEN
Saturday, October 31 : costumes, candy – and maybe a Game 7. (page 3)

LIGHTNING QUIZ 번개 퀴즈

1면을 읽고 정답을 고르세요 정답은 8면에

A2 7.
Early voting in Texas starts on... A. November 3 · B. Monday, October 19 · C. November 1

A2 8.
America turns its clocks back on... A. October 25 · B. October 31 · C. November 1

A2 9.
Game 1 of the World Series is in... A. Milwaukee · B. Tampa · C. Los Angeles

A2 10.
The new NBA season starts on... A. Friday · B. Tuesday · C. Sunday

Social Security Checks Grow by 3.6% in January

By The Lucerna newsroom Reading level : A2

Good news for nearly 72 million Americans : on Wednesday, October 14, the Social Security Administration announced a cost-of-living adjustment – a « COLA » – of 3.6% for 2027. From January, the average retired worker will get about 75 dollars more every month.

Why do the checks grow ? Because life costs more. When the prices of food, homes and energy go up, the checks go up too – that is the idea of the cost-of-living adjustment. Workers on SSI, a second program for people with very low incomes, see their increase a little earlier : on December 31, 2026. About 7.3 million people receive SSI.

When will you see your number ? Personal notices come online at the end of November, and by mail in December. Every household does the same maths this week : 3.6% of my check is... how much, exactly ?

How is the number chosen ? Government statisticians follow the prices of a basket of everyday things – food, homes, energy, transport. When the basket costs more, the COLA rises. It is a promise written into the system : your check follows the cost of life.

Will 3.6% make anyone rich ? No. But for many households, 75 dollars is the difference between a hard month and an easier one – a full fridge, a warm house. That is why one small percentage is the week's biggest kitchen-table story.

The system is old. The first monthly check went to Ida May Fuller, of Vermont, on January 31, 1940. It was 22.54 dollars. In three years of work, Miss Fuller had paid 24.75 dollars into the system. She lived to be 100 years old, and in her long retirement she received more than 22,000 dollars in checks.

DO THE MATHS 계산해 보기

3.6% of $1,000 is $36. Of $2,000, it is $72. The average increase – about $75 – tells you the average check is a little over $2,000 a month.

CHECK YOUR FRIDGE !

Second story of the week – and it is in your kitchen. On Saturday, October 17, the US Department of Agriculture announced a big recall : about 1.58 million pounds of hot dogs, bacon and deli meats from one company, Kayem Foods. A cooler in the factory did not work correctly, and the food was not cold enough.

What must you do ? Do not eat the food. Throw it away, or take it back to the shop. At the time of the announcement, no illnesses were reported – but the rule with a recall is simple : when in doubt, throw it out.

How do you read a recall notice ? Look for three things : the name of the food, the dates on the packet, and the lot number – a code printed near the date. If your packet matches, it goes in the bin, not on the table. A recall sounds frightening, but it is also good news : it means the safety system works.

해설 — cost-of-living 생활비 • a check 수표, (사회보장) 월 지급금 • a notice 안내 • a pound 파운드 (약 0.45킬로그램) • to recall 리콜하다 (제품 회수).



A Social Security card from 1943 : the program began in 1935, and the first monthly check – 22.54 dollars – was paid in 1940.
Social Security Administration — public domain

DID YOU KNOW ?

Nearly 72 million people receive Social Security money every month.

The first check, in 1940, was 22.54 dollars. The average increase in 2027 is about 75 dollars a month.

Notices arrive online in late November and by mail in December. Check your number !

AND YOU ? 여러분은요?

And you ? Is there a hot dog in your fridge today ? What money comes into your house every month ? Write two sentences in English and send them to the newsroom : the best ones will be printed in VOL.2 (page 7, « Readers' Corner »).

냉장고에 오늘 핫도그가 있나요? 매달 고정 수입은? 영어 두 문장, 편집부로 보내 주세요.

TELLING THE TIME 시간 말하기

Game times this week 이번 주 경기 시간에 다 써요



It is eight o'clock.



It is half past two.



It is quarter to eight.

half past	= 30 minutes after the hour(정각에서 30분)
quarter past	= 15 minutes after(15분 뒤)
quarter to	= 15 minutes before(15분 전)
noon / midnight	= 12:00 in the day / at night(정오 / 자정)

This week : Game 1 of the World Series starts at 8 p.m. on Friday. In Europe, the clocks fall back on Sunday – in America, on Sunday, November 1 : spring forward, fall back.

EXERCISES 2면 연습

정답은 8면에 문제는 난이도가 섞여 있어요 번호로 찾으세요

A WHAT TIME IS IT ?

시각을 보고 영어 문장을 완성하세요.

A2 11. 빈칸 채우기
8:30 – It is ___ eight.

A2 12. 빈칸 채우기
9:15 – It is ___ nine.

A2 13. 빈칸 채우기
7:45 – It is ___ eight.

A2 14. 빈칸 채우기
0:00 – It is ___ . The city sleeps.

A2 15. 빈칸 채우기
3:00 – It is three ___ . The game starts !

B GOING TO

be going to + 동사로 바꿔 쓰세요 (계획과 곧 일어날 일).

A2 16. 바꿔 쓰기
Checks (grow) in January.→ ___

A2 17. 바꿔 쓰기
Milwaukee (play) Game 1 on Friday.→ ___

A2 18. 바꿔 쓰기
We (check) the fridge tonight.→ ___

B1 19. 바꿔 쓰기
You (vote) early this year ?→ ___

C COMPREHENSION

2면 기사를 읽고 정답을 고르세요.

A2 20.
In 2027, checks grow by... A. 1.6% · B. 3.6% · C. 6.3%

A2 21.
COLA notices arrive... A. in October · B. in late Nov. and Dec. · C. next summer

A2 22.
The hot dogs were recalled because... A. they were old · B. the price was wrong · C. a cooler failed

A2 23.
The first check, in 1940, was... A. $22.54 · B. $75 · C. $225.40

D THE WORDS

A2 24–27. 단어와 뜻 짝짓기

24. a benefit
25. a recall
26. a pound
27. the cost of living

a. the price of everyday life
b. money the government pays regularly
c. about 0.45 kilos – 16 ounces
d. the company takes its food back

Halloween in America : a $13.5 Billion Night of Candy

By The Lucerna newsroom Reading level : A2 → B1

On Saturday, October 31, America will put on its costumes. Halloween is not an official holiday – nobody gets the day off – but it is one of the biggest nights of the American year. This year, the National Retail Federation (NRF) projects record spending of 13.5 billion dollars, up 3.82% from 2025. That is about $115.14 for every person who celebrates.

Where does the money go ? Costumes come first : $4.4 billion. Decorations are second, at $4.3 billion – gardens full of skeletons, lights and giant spiders. Candy takes $4.1 billion, and almost everybody buys it : 96% of celebrants plan to buy sweets for the big night.

How does trick-or-treating work ? In the early evening, children in costumes walk from door to door in their neighbourhood. They ring the bell and shout : « Trick or treat ! » – a joke threat, always answered with candy. One rule matters : a light on the porch means « welcome, knock here ». A dark house means « please, not this year » – and children respect it.

The pumpkin is the symbol of the season. In October, families drive to pumpkin patches – fields where you choose your own pumpkin – and carve faces into them at home. A candle inside makes a jack-o'-lantern, and on October 31, thousands of orange faces glow on American porches.

What will America wear this year ? Google published its Frightgeist costume list on October 14, and the shop Spirit Halloween published its own : characters from KPop Demon Hunters and Toy Story 5, superheroes, and Greek gods. One number tells the story of 2026 : 47% of celebrants now use AI tools to plan a costume or a decoration. The robot helps you become a ghost.

Halloween was a national festival long before it was a shopping season. In the early 1900s, when telephones were still rare, Americans sent Halloween postcards – more than 3,000 designs were printed. The card on this page is from 1912. The greetings travelled slowly, by mail, and arrived like little paper ghosts.

This year, the calendar is kind : Halloween falls on a Saturday. No school the next morning, no work for most parents – the party can begin in the afternoon and the last jack-o'-lantern can burn late. Shops know it, too : the last full shopping week of the season is this one, and the costume shelves empty fast.

One object waits by every door : the candy bowl. Families fill it in the afternoon – chocolate, sweets, sometimes small toys – and children empty it, street by street, all evening. Economists study the $13.5 billion. Children study something simpler : which house gives the biggest chocolate ?

SAY IT ON THE NIGHT 그날 밤 표현

« Trick or treat ! » – 사탕 안 주면 장난칠 거예요! (장난스러운 협박, 늘 사탕을 받아요)

« Happy Halloween ! » – 해피 할로윈! · « Thank you ! » – 감사합니다! (사탕을 받으면 꼭 말하세요)

« What are you dressed as ? » – 무엇으로 분장했어요?

해설 — to celebrate 축하하다 • a porch 현관 앞 공간 • to carve 파다, 조각하다 • a decoration 장식품 • a survey 조사 (NRF가 7,889명을 조사했어요).

A TRUE OR FALSE ? 참 / 거짓

3면 기사를 읽고 참인지 거짓인지 판단하세요.

A2 28. 참 / 거짓
1. Halloween is on a Friday this year.

A2 29. 참 / 거짓
2. Americans will spend about $13.5 billion on Halloween.

B1 30. 참 / 거짓
3. Candy is the biggest part of the spending.

A2 31. 참 / 거짓
4. Almost half of celebrants use AI tools for costume ideas.

A2 32. 참 / 거짓
5. A house with no light on the porch is asking for visitors.

B FESTIVAL WORDS 축제 단어

A2 33. 빈칸 채우기
Children wear a ___ and go from door to door.

A2 34. 빈칸 채우기
You ___ a pumpkin to make a jack-o'-lantern.

A2 35. 빈칸 채우기
Families leave a light on the ___ to welcome children.

A2 36. 빈칸 채우기
Ninety-six percent of celebrants buy ___.

A2 37. 빈칸 채우기
In October, families visit a pumpkin ___ to choose a pumpkin.

C CHOOSE 객관식

B1 38.
The $13.5 billion is... A. last year's total · B. this year's projection · C. candy money only

B1 39.
Google's costume list is called... A. Frightgeist · B. Spiritgeist · C. Trendlist

B1 40.
This year's costumes include... A. Roman kings · B. Greek gods · C. astronauts only

B1 41.
In the early 1900s, Halloween greetings travelled by... A. telephone · B. postcard · C. radio

D SENTENCES 문장 바꾸기

A2 42. 바꿔 쓰기
Children (go) door to door on October 31. → ___

B1 43. 바꿔 쓰기
She (buy) a Greek god costume. → ___

A2 44. 바꿔 쓰기
He (not / like) horror films. → ___

B1 45. 빈칸 채우기
I think it ___ (rain) on Halloween night.



« A Halloween Wish », 1912 : in the age of postcards, Halloween greetings travelled by mail – slowly, like little paper ghosts.
Halloween postcard, 1912 — public domain

FESTIVAL WORDS 축제 단어장

trick or treat – 사탕 안 주면 장난쳐요

a costume – 의상, 축제 분장

a jack-o'-lantern –호박 등

a porch – 현관 앞 공간, 현관 계단

to carve – 파다, 조각하다

a decoration – 장식품

spooky – 오싹한 (재미있는 쪽으로)

a patch – 작은 땅 한 조각; (pumpkin patch 호박밭)

DATES TO REMEMBER 이달의 날짜

Oct 23 — Red Ribbon Week begins

Oct 24 – Make a Difference Day · Drug Take Back Day, 10 a.m.–2 p.m.

Oct 31 — Halloween (Saturday)

Nov 1 – clocks fall back · Nov 3 – Election Day

THE SEASON IN NUMBERS

3,000+ – Halloween postcard designs printed in the early 1900s

96% – of celebrants buy candy · 47% – now use AI for ideas

$115.14 – projected spending per person (NRF)

FUN, OR TOO MUCH ?

Halloween now costs America more than ever – and the robots help us dress up. Is it still a festival, or is it a shopping week with ghosts ? Write to us in English, two or three sentences : your letter may appear on page 7 of VOL.2.

할로윈은 점점 비싸지고, AI까지 분장 고르기를 도와줘요. 할로윈은 아직 축제일까요, 유령이 붙은 쇼핑 주간일까요? 편지로 알려 주세요 (7면 독자 코너 참조).

The Biggest Sports Week of the Autumn

By The Lucerna newsroom Reading level : B1

TIP-OFF TUESDAY

The NBA is back. On Tuesday, October 20, the 2026–27 season opened with something new : a tripleheader – three big games in one night – on NBC and its streaming service Peacock. Boston played at Detroit, Oklahoma City at San Antonio, and in New York, the champions received their rings.

Before the game at Madison Square Garden, the New York Knicks raised their championship banner – the club's first since 1973. Then the Philadelphia 76ers spoiled the party. Philadelphia won 106–100, with 28 points from Tyrese Maxey. LeBron James, now a 76er, began a record 24th NBA season. The season continues all week : 43 games from Tuesday to Sunday, including the Lakers against the Warriors on Wednesday.

A FIRST-TIME CHAMPION

Baseball offers the week's most beautiful storyline. In the National League final, Milwaukee swept the Los Angeles Dodgers – the champions of the last two years are out. It is the Brewers' first World Series since 1982. In the American League, Tampa Bay beat Cleveland in Game 6 on Monday night.

So the World Series is Milwaukee against Tampa Bay. Game 1 is Friday, October 23, in Milwaukee (8 p.m. Eastern, on FOX), and Game 2 follows on Saturday. Here is the magic number : zero. Neither club has ever won the World Series – so for the first time in years, a first-time champion is guaranteed.

SPEED IN AUSTIN

On Sunday, the week ends at full speed : the United States Grand Prix at the Circuit of The Americas in Austin, Texas. Practice is on Friday, qualifying on Saturday, and the race on Sunday afternoon. The weekend is also a music festival : Maroon 5 on Friday, Post Malone on Saturday, Alesso on Sunday. A special « Grand PrixView » day opens the circuit to fans on Thursday.

One more name to watch : Victor Wembanyama, the French star of San Antonio, meets Oklahoma City in the third game of the tripleheader. In France, they will watch at breakfast time ; in Texas, it is prime time.

THE FOOTBALL WEEKEND

And football ? It never stops. Week 7 of the NFL season brings the Patriots at the Bears on Thursday night, then, on Sunday, the Packers at the Lions and the Chiefs at the Seahawks in the night game. College football fills Saturday : LSU at Auburn, Texas A&M at Alabama, Ole Miss at Texas, Indiana at Michigan.

AND AT 4 P.M. ON SUNDAY...

...the world game joins the party. Barcelona play Real Madrid in El Clásico on Sunday – 4 p.m. Eastern on ESPN in the United States. On Wednesday morning, « barca vs real madrid » was the number one trending search in the US in one snapshot.

THE WEEK'S FIXTURES 이번 주 일정

Tue – NBA tip-off : 76ers at Knicks · Thunder at Spurs

Wed – Lakers vs Warriors · Thu – Patriots at Bears

Fri – World Series Game 1, 8 p.m. ET · Sat – Game 2

Sun – Austin Grand Prix · El Clásico, 4 p.m. ET

해설 — a banner 우승 깃발 • to sweep 전승하다 • the defending champion 디펜딩 챔프 • qualifying 예선 • a storyline 이야기 흐름.

A READING 읽기 객관식

B1 46.
The Knicks' banner was their first since... A. 1973 · B. 1982 · C. 2003

B1 47.
On opening night, Philadelphia won... A. by 6 points · B. by 16 points · C. after extra time

B1 48.
Milwaukee's last World Series before this year was in... A. 1973 · B. 1982 · C. 2020

B1 49.
The Grand Prix race day is... A. Friday · B. Saturday · C. Sunday

B1 50.
The NFL games this week are in... A. Week 6 · B. Week 7 · C. Week 8

B SPORTS WORDS 단어 짝짓기

B1 51–54. 단어와 뜻 짝짓기

51. tip-off
52. a sweep
53. the defending champion
54. a banner

a. the team that won last time, playing to keep the title
b. winning every game in a series
c. a flag in the arena that remembers a championship
d. the start of a basketball game

C COMPARATIVES 비교급

B1 55. 빈칸 채우기
The World Series is ___ (old) than the NBA.

B1 56. 빈칸 채우기
Austin in October is ___ (hot) than Milwaukee.

B1 57. 빈칸 채우기
This is the ___ (busy) sports week of the autumn.

B1 58. 빈칸 채우기
Maxey scored ___ points than Brunson on Tuesday. (28 to 21)

D VERB FORMS 동사 과거형

B1 59. 바꿔 쓰기
The 76ers (win) 106–100 on Tuesday. → ___

B1 60. 바꿔 쓰기
The Knicks (raise) their banner. → ___

B1 61. 바꿔 쓰기
Milwaukee (sweep) the Dodgers. → ___

B1 62. 바꿔 쓰기
Tampa Bay (beat) Cleveland on Monday. → ___

B1 63. 바꿔 쓰기
Fans (watch) three games on Tuesday night. → ___

THE KING'S NEW TEAM

LeBron James begins his 24th season – a record – in a new shirt : Philadelphia. He arrived this summer, and on night one, his new team won on the champions' floor.

제임스는 24번째 시즌(기록)을 필라델피아 유니폼으로 시작했고, 첫날 밤 챔피언의 홈에서 이겼어요.

SPORTS WORDS 스포츠 단어장

tip-off – (농구) 경기 시작, 점프볼

a banner – 우승 깃발

to sweep – 전승하다 (시리즈 전 경기 승리)

the defending champion – 디펜딩 챔프

qualifying – 예선

a race – 경기 한 번; (자동차) 레이스

overtime – 연장전 (extra time)

a fan – 팬

THE WEEK IN NUMBERS

43 – games in the NBA's first six days

106–100 – Philadelphia's win in New York

1973 – the Knicks' previous banner · 1982 – Milwaukee's last World Series

24 – LeBron James's season number, a record

WATCHING A GAME IN ENGLISH

« What a shot ! » – 좋은 슛이에요!

« They are up by six. » – 여섯 점 앞섰어요.

« It is going down to the last minute. » – 마지막 1분까지 가요.

« We were robbed ! » – 심판한테 당했어요! (졌을 때 장난으로 하는 팬들의 단골 말)

THE DEBATE 토론

Three finals in one week : the NBA begins, baseball ends, and the cars race in Austin. A feast for fans – or too much sport ? Tell us on page 7.

Opening Week Lives on Your Phone

By The Lucerna newsroom Reading level : B1

THE GAME COMES TO YOU

For fifty years, a big game meant a television in the living room. This week, the NBA opened its season in a new way : opening night was built as a tripleheader for NBC – and for its streaming service, Peacock. Three games, one night, every screen in the house.

Young fans do not always watch a whole game. Many meet the game first as a clip : forty seconds of the best moment, sent by a friend, watched on the bus. The full game comes later – or never. On Wednesday morning, one of the top trending searches in America was « lakers roster » : before watching the team, fans wanted the list of names. Who plays for the Lakers this year ?

AI PLANS YOUR COSTUME

Halloween is the other screen story of the week. The NRF counts a new habit : 47% of celebrants now use AI tools to plan a costume or a decoration. You describe an idea – « a Greek god, but funny » – and the machine offers ten versions. Then the group chat votes.

The costume itself is content now. A good costume is not finished when you put it on ; it is finished when the photo is posted. Google's Frightgeist list and the Spirit Halloween list agree on the stars of 2026 : KPop Demon Hunters, Toy Story 5, superheroes and Greek gods. This year, the gods have good lighting.

EARNINGS, IN PLAIN ENGLISH

On Wednesday, after the markets close, two giants publish their numbers : Tesla and Meta. Netflix and SpaceX did the same on Tuesday. « Earnings » is a company's report card : how much money came in, how much went out, and what is left – the profit.

For a few hours, every feed is green arrows and red arrows. One warning from our business desk : before the report, different experts give different numbers – nobody knows. After the close, everybody knows at the same time. That is the game, and this week, America is watching it live.

THE SECOND SCREEN

Watch a game with young fans and you will see two games at once. On the television, the match. On the phone, the second match : live statistics, polls – « Who wins tonight ? » – and the group chat, where every goal, every basket, produces twenty messages in ten seconds. The phone does not kill the game. For this generation, the phone IS part of the game.

The same phone plans the weekend. It holds the costume ideas, the AI pictures, the party address and the money for the pizza. One small glass rectangle runs the whole autumn : sport, money, festivals and friends. The Lucerna's advice ? Enjoy it – and sometimes, look up. The real game is also beautiful.

해설 — to stream 스트리밍하다 • a highlight 하이라이트 • earnings 실적, 이익 • a feed 피드 • a roster 명단.

A CHOOSE 객관식

B1 64.
The opening tripleheader was shown on... A. NBC and Peacock · B. FOX only · C. ESPN only

B1 65.
On Wednesday morning, a top search was... A. lakers roster · B. world series tickets · C. tesla stock

B1 66.
47% of celebrants use AI to plan... A. their votes · B. costumes and decorations · C. their homework

B1 67.
Tesla and Meta report their results... A. Monday morning · B. Wednesday after the close · C. Sunday night

B1 68.
Before a report, the experts' numbers... A. are all the same · B. are secret · C. differ from expert to expert

B SCREEN WORDS 화면 단어 빈칸

A2 69. 빈칸 채우기
You can ___ the game live on your phone.

B1 70. 빈칸 채우기
No time for the full game ? Watch the ___ : three minutes of the best moments.

B1 71. 빈칸 채우기
Her costume photo went ___ : a million people saw it in one day.

B1 72. 빈칸 채우기
Before the season, fans study the ___ : who plays for the Lakers this year ?

B1 73. 빈칸 채우기
Wednesday is ___ day for Tesla and Meta : the companies publish their numbers.

A2 74. 빈칸 채우기
His ___ is full of game clips and costume photos.

C THIS WEEK, LIVE 현재진행형

현재진행형으로 바꿔 쓰세요: 이번 주에 일어나고 있는 일.

B1 75. 바꿔 쓰기
Tesla (report) its results tonight.→ ___

B1 76. 바꿔 쓰기
The teams (play) 43 games this week.→ ___

B1 77. 바꿔 쓰기
Fans (watch) the tripleheader on their phones. → ___

B1 78. 바꿔 쓰기
Milwaukee (prepare) for Game 1.→ ___

D TRUE OR FALSE ? 참 / 거짓

B1 79. 참 / 거짓
1. Many young fans meet a game first as a short clip.

B1 80. 참 / 거짓
2. Everybody knows Tesla's numbers before Wednesday's report.

B1 81. 참 / 거짓
3. The costume lists come only from shops.

WORDS OF THE SCREEN 화면 단어장

to stream – 스트리밍, 온라인으로 보다

a highlight – 하이라이트, 명장면 모음

a clip – 짧은 영상

a feed – 피드, 새 글 모아보기

viral – 폭발적으로 퍼지는 (go viral 퍼지다)

a roster – 명단

earnings – 실적 발표, 이익

to post – 글을 올리다, 게시하다

SAY IT ONLINE 온라인 한마디

« What a game ! » – 정말 멋진 경기예요!

« Send me the highlights. » – 하이라이트 보내 줘요.

« This costume wins Halloween. » – 이 분장이 할로윈을 다 가져갔어요.

THE WORLD GAME AT 4 P.M.

On Sunday at 4 p.m. Eastern, American screens turn to Spain : Barcelona vs Real Madrid, on ESPN. In one Wednesday snapshot, it was America's number one search. The world's game needs no translation.

일요일 동부 시간 오후 4시 엘 클라시코, ESPN 중계; 수요일 스냅샷에서 미국 검색 1위였어요.

PLAN YOUR STREAMING WEEK

Tue – the NBA tripleheader, on Peacock

Wed – Tesla & Meta numbers, after the close

Fri – World Series Game 1 · Sat – Game 2

Sun – Austin Grand Prix · El Clásico, 4 p.m. ET

NEXT WEEK ON YOUR SCREENS

Mon–Tue – the Series moves to Tampa · Sat Oct 31 – Halloween night · Sun Nov 1 – the clocks fall back · Tue Nov 3 – election night. The autumn does not slow down.

THE DEBATE 토론

Is a forty-second clip really « watching the game » ? Or is the full game a thing of the past ? Two sentences, in English, to the newsroom – the best answers appear on page 7 of VOL.2.

The Midterms : Why America Votes Early

By The Lucerna newsroom Reading level : B2

On Tuesday, November 3, Americans vote in the midterm elections – the elections that fall in the middle of a president's term. There is no presidential race this year. Instead, voters choose the whole House of Representatives, part of the Senate, and most state governors. It is a smaller election than 2024, but in Washington, it changes everything.

The stakes fit in one line of numbers : the House today stands at 218 Republicans to 214 Democrats, according to Reuters – a margin of four seats. A handful of districts will decide who controls Congress for the next two years. That is why the advertising never stops : spending on election ads had already reached a record 3.8 billion dollars by October 12, the analytics firm AdImpact reported.

The newest fact of American elections is the calendar. Voting is no longer a day ; it is a season. Nurses, drivers, soldiers and parents often cannot queue for hours on a Tuesday, so states let them vote early, in person, with the same ballot. This year's wave opened on Monday, October 19, in Texas – early voting there runs to October 30 – and in Alaska, Arkansas, Connecticut and Colorado.

Louisiana and Missouri followed on Tuesday, Delaware and Maryland on Thursday, and Michigan and Florida's mandatory period begins on Saturday, October 24. Fifty states, fifty calendars : in the United States, elections are run by the states, not by Washington, and every state keeps its own doors and its own hours.

Early voting changes the campaign, too. Parties no longer aim everything at one Tuesday ; they aim at October. But one rule protects the suspense : early votes are counted under state rules, and the results, as always, arrive on election night. Voting early does not mean knowing early.

해설 — midterm (elections) 중간선거 · the House 하원 · incumbent 현직자 · margin 격차 · turnout 투표율.

THE EARLY-VOTING WEEK

Mon, Oct 19 – Texas, Alaska, Arkansas, Connecticut and Colorado open

Tue, Oct 20 – Louisiana and Missouri follow

Thu, Oct 22 – Delaware and Maryland open

Sat, Oct 24 – Michigan opens ; Florida's mandatory period begins

Fri, Oct 30 – early voting closes in Texas

Tue, Nov 3 – ELECTION DAY

HOW TO FOLLOW IT 따라가는 법

Watch three numbers, not three hundred opinions : the turnout (how many vote), the House margin (218–214 today) and the ad money ($3.8 billion and counting). The rest is noise.

선거는 세 숫자만 보세요: 투표율, 하원 격차, 광고비. 나머지는 대부분 소음이에요.



The Capitol in Washington : control of Congress is the prize on November 3.

United States Capitol — public domain

ELECTION WORDS 선거 단어장

a midterm – 중간선거

an incumbent – 현직자

a margin – (표/의석) 격차

turnout – 투표율

a campaign – 선거 운동

a district – 선거구

HEADLINE LANGUAGE 헤드라인 언어

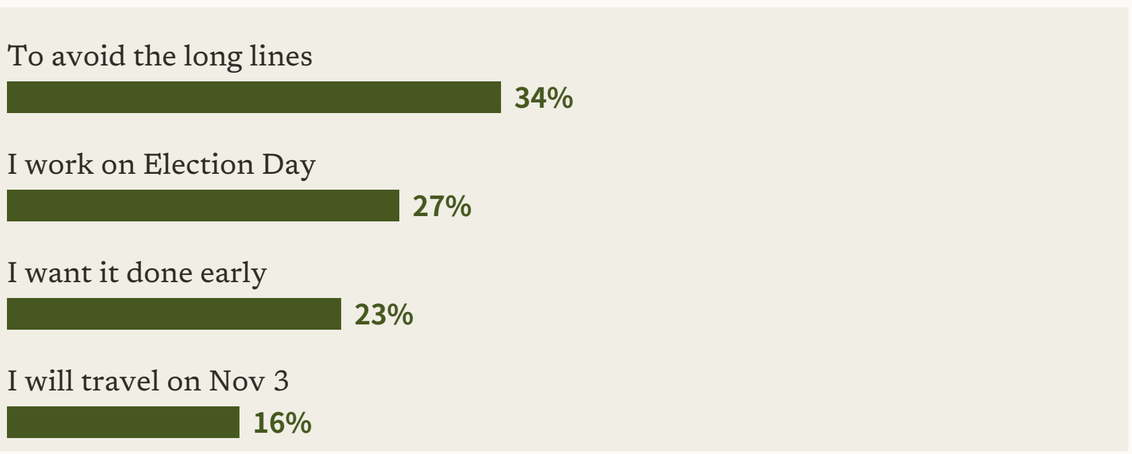
« Early voting opens » – 사전투표 시작

« voters head to the polls » – 유권자들이 투표소로 향해요

« too close to call » – 너무 접전이라 예측 불가

WHY DO VOTERS VOTE EARLY ? 연습 도표

PRACTICE DATA — simplified and invented for this exercise ; not a real survey. 연습용 자료예요 — 실제 조사가 아니에요.



Four answers, 100 voters. 네 가지 답, 모두 100명이에요.

READING THE CHART 도표 읽기

B2 82.
The biggest reason is... A. travel · B. work · C. avoiding long lines

B2 83.
Out of 100 voters, how many work on Election Day ?

B1 84.
The top two reasons together make ___ of the voters.

B2 85.
True or false : more than half vote early because of work or travel.

B1 86.
The difference between « lines » and « travel » is ___.

B1 87.
All four answers together make ___ of the voters.

KEY SENTENCE 핵심 문장

« Voting is no longer a day ; it is a season. »

투표는 이제 하루가 아니라 한 계절이에요. — 이 면 심층 읽기의 핵심 문장.

READING 읽기 객관식

B2 88.
The midterms decide... A. the president · B. control of Congress · C. the Supreme Court

B2 89.
Elections in the US are run by... A. the White House · B. the states · C. the parties

B2 90.
The $3.8 billion is... A. the cost of voting machines · B. ad spending by Oct 12 · C. the price of ballots

B2 91.
Florida's mandatory early voting starts... A. Oct 19 · B. Oct 22 · C. Oct 24

COMPARATIVES 비교급

B2 92. 빈칸 채우기
Early voting is ___ (convenient) than voting on one day only.

B1 93. 빈칸 채우기
Ad spending this year is the ___ (high) ever.

B1 94. 빈칸 채우기
Texas starts ___ (early) than Florida.

B2 95. 빈칸 채우기
The House margin (218–214) is ___ (small) than ten seats.

ELECTION WORDS 선거 단어 빈칸

B2 96. 빈칸 채우기
The ___ is the person who holds the job now and wants to keep it.

B2 97. 빈칸 채우기
218 to 214 is a ___ of four seats.

B2 98. 빈칸 채우기
A high ___ means many people vote.

B2 99. 빈칸 채우기
A ___ is the long season of work before an election.

SAY IT LIKE A HEADLINE

« Early voters ___ to the polls in Texas. » (head)

« The race is too ___ to call. » (close)

« Turnout is ___ this year. » (up)

신문 헤드라인 세 문장, 빈칸을 채워 직접 말해 보세요 — 답은 일상 표현 안에 있어요.

LANGUAGE IN HAND　정밀 해설

The Lucerna
A2 → B2　Phrases of the week　이번 주 명문장

LEVEL A2　기초

TELLING THE TIME

It's eight o'clock. · It's half past two. · It's a quarter to eight. For the hour, English always starts with « It's » — never « it has ». The three clocks on page 2 show the week's three times.

GOING TO + VERB

For a plan : « She is going to vote on Saturday. » be + going to + the verb, with no change. It is the friendliest future in English — use it for every plan of the week.

THE EXAMPLE　예문

« Checks are going to grow in January. » — the Social Security story, from page 2.

LEVEL B1　중급

COMPARATIVES

Short adjective + -er + than : « Austin is hotter than Milwaukee. » Long adjective : more + adjective : « more convenient ». And good becomes better — never « more good ». Page 4 and page 6 are full of them.

THE PAST SIMPLE

Regular verbs add -ed : raised, watched. Irregular verbs change : win → won, sweep → swept, beat → beat, go → went. Sports pages are written in this tense — every result is past.

THE EXAMPLE　예문

« Maxey scored more points than Brunson. » — comparison and past simple in one line (page 4).

LEVEL B2　도전

HEADLINE PRESENT

Headlines speak of yesterday in the present : « 76ers win opener », « Early voting opens in Texas ». The present simple makes old news feel live. Read the front page again and find three.

WHETHER = IF ?

« Nobody knows whether the Brewers can finish the story. » Whether introduces an open question inside a sentence — more elegant than if, and safe everywhere. It is the word of the deep read (page 6).

THE EXAMPLE　예문

« Voting is no longer a day ; it is a season. » — no longer = 더 이상 ~않다 (page 6).

THE TOOLBOX　도구 상자

Three sentences to keep in your pocket, one for each level :

A2 — « It's a quarter to eight. »

B1 — « The 76ers won, and Maxey scored more than Brunson. »

B2 — « Nobody knows whether the story ends with a trophy. »

And the newspaper reflex : every phrase of the week comes from an article of this issue. Re-read the article, and the phrase becomes easy.

도구 상자 — 이번 호 휴대 문장 세 개, 단계마다 하나; 명문장은 전부 이번 호 기사에서 왔어요. 원문을 다시 읽는 게 가장 효과적이에요.

PHRASES OF THE WEEK　이번 주 명문장 (전부 이번 호 기사에서)

문장마다 문법 포인트 하나 + 작은 문제 하나　정답은 8면에

« On Tuesday, October 20, the 2026–27 season opened with something new : a tripleheader. » (page 4)

문법 포인트 — 일반 과거형: open → opened, 규칙 변화예요.

B1　100.
The World Series ___ (open) on Friday.

« When the prices of food, homes and energy go up, the checks go up too. » (page 2)

문법 포인트 — go up = 오르다; when 절은 일반 현재형으로 법칙을 말해요.

A2　101.
When energy costs more, the bills ___ too. (go up)

« Milwaukee swept the Los Angeles Dodgers. » (page 4)

문법 포인트 — sweep의 과거형은 swept, 불규칙.

B1　102.
Tampa Bay ___ (beat) Cleveland on Monday.

« Neither club has ever won the World Series. » (page 4)

문법 포인트 — neither + 단수 동사: 두 팀 (둘 다 우승한 적이 없어요).

B2　103.
Neither team ___ (have) a trophy yet.

« Voting is no longer a day ; it is a season. » (page 6)

문법 포인트 — no longer = 더 이상 ~않다, be동사 뒤에 와요.

B2　104.
The game is ___ on television only ; it is on phones too.

« Voters head to the polls. » (page 6)

문법 포인트 — head to = ~로 향하다 (헤드라인의 현재형).

A2　105.
On Tuesday, fans ___ to the stadium. (head)

« The average retired worker will get about 75 dollars more every month. » (page 2)

문법 포인트 — about = 약, 대략: 어림수에 써요.

A2　106.
The average check is ___ two thousand dollars a month.

« In Europe, the clocks fall back on Sunday — in America, on Sunday, November 1. » (page 2)

문법 포인트 — fall back = (시계를) 되돌리다; 봄에는 spring forward.

B1　107.
In spring, the clocks ___ forward. (spring)

THE ERROR CLINIC　실수 클리닉

문장마다 오류가 하나씩 있어요: 찾아서 고치세요.

A2　108.　오류 고치기
✗ « I am agree with you. »

A2　109.　오류 고치기
✗ « Yesterday I go to the game. »

B1　110.　오류 고치기
✗ « This week is more busier than last week. »

B1　111.　오류 고치기
✗ « He don't like early voting. »

READERS' CORNER　독자 코너

« This autumn, I read my first book in English — one page every night, with Lucerna. » — R. T., a reader in Toronto (editor's example : the first real reader letters will take this place in VOL.2)

편집부 답글 — one page every night는 가장 꾸준한 습관이에요: 일반 현재형이 바로 습관을 말하죠. 안내: 이 편지는 편집부 예시예요. VOL.2부터 실제 독자 편지를 싣고, 이번 호 8면 쓰기 투고도 평가해요.

NEXT WEEK　VOL.2 다음 주 예고

Saturday, October 31 : Halloween night, live. Sunday, November 1 : America falls back — one more hour of sleep. Tuesday, November 3 : Election Day. What do Americans read, watch and eat while they wait for the results ?

다음 주 토요일은 할로윈 밤, 일요일에는 미국 전역이 시계를 되돌리고, 11월 3일 화요일 선거일에 결과가 나와요.

EXERCISES & ANSWERS 연습과 정답

A CLOZE 빈칸 채우기

Maya is twelve. On Saturday, October 31, it is (112)___. In the morning, she helps her father (113)___ a pumpkin on the porch. « (114)___ rain nor cold can stop us », laughs her mother. In the evening, Maya puts on her (115)___ : she (116)___ a gold crown, like a Greek goddess. She takes her bag and goes from house to house : « Trick or treat ! » The neighbours give her (117)___. At nine o'clock, the street is quiet – and in the night, the clocks will (118)___ back : one more hour of sleep ! Tomorrow, Maya is (119)___ to sleep late, very late.

선택지:

112. A. Christmas • B. Easter • C. Halloween

113. A. carve • B. eat • C. sell

114. A. Both • B. Neither • C. Also

115. A. costume • B. uniform • C. pyjamas

116. A. wear • B. wears • C. wearing

117. A. money • B. candy • C. flowers

118. A. fall • B. falls • C. falling

119. A. goes • B. go • C. going

B MULTIPLE CHOICE 객관식

A2 120.
The game starts at 9:15. In words : ... A. a quarter to nine · B. a quarter past nine · C. half past nine

A2 121.
On Sunday, we ___ an extra hour of sleep. A. get · B. gets · C. getting

B1 122.
The 76ers ___ the game 106–100. A. win · B. won · C. wins

B1 123.
Austin is ___ than Milwaukee in October. A. hot · B. hotter · C. hottest

B2 124.
___ the rain, the parade went on all evening. A. Despite · B. Because · C. Unless

B2 125.
Nobody knows ___ the Brewers will win the Series. A. whether · B. what · C. who

A2 126.
Early voting in Texas ___ on Monday. A. opened · B. open · C. opens

B1 127.
She is going to ___ her ballot on Saturday. A. cast · B. casts · C. casted

C READING 읽기 이해

On Monday morning, Rosa Delgado, a nurse from Houston, finished her night work at six o'clock. She did not go home to sleep. She drove to the early-voting place near the hospital and joined a short line. « On November 3, I work all day », she explains. « Today, I have time. » Ten minutes later, her ballot was in the box, and a sticker on her jacket said : I VOTED EARLY. By Friday, October 30, when early voting ends in Texas, millions of Texans will do the same.

A2 128.
Rosa is... A. a teacher · B. a nurse · C. a driver

A2 129.
She voted early because on November 3 she... A. travels · B. works all day · C. sleeps

B1 130.
Her sticker said... A. I VOTED EARLY · B. VOTE ON TUESDAY · C. TEXAS FIRST

B1 131.
Early voting in Texas ends on... A. October 19 · B. October 30 · C. November 3

D SENTENCES 문장 완성과 바꾸기

A2 132.
Be going to : « On Saturday, they (carve) a pumpkin. » → ___

B1 133.
Past simple : « The Knicks (raise) their first banner since 1973. »

B1 134.
Comparative : « My costume is ___ (scary) than yours. »

B2 135.
Whether : « ___ the parade will happen, nobody knows. »

E TRANSLATION 번역

B2 136.
Translate : « Voting is no longer a day ; it is a season. »

A2 137.
번역: 76ers가 106대 100으로 경기를 이겼어요.

B1 138.
번역: 올해 사전투표는 월요일에 시작했어요.

B1 139.
Translate : « Neither club has ever won the Series. »

F WORDS 단어 짝짓기

B1 140–143. 짝짓기

140. a midterm
141. an incumbent
142. a margin
143. turnout

a. the number of people who vote
b. an election in the middle of a president's term
c. the person who holds the job now
d. the difference between two results

G DIALOGUE 대화 완성

– Good morning ! Is this the early-voting place ? – Yes, welcome. May I see your (144)___ ? – Here it is. Is the (145)___ long today ? – No, five minutes only. Yesterday it was very long ! – Good. It is my first early vote. What do I do with the (146)___ ? – Mark your choices, check them twice, then put it in the box. – Thank you. And the famous (147)___ ? Everybody has one on their jacket. – The sticker ! Here it is : « I VOTED ». Wear it with pride. – I will ! See you on (148)___ 3rd, in the results ! – Ha ! Have a good day.

H WRITING 쓰기

Write a short text (80 to 100 words) : « My Saturday, October 31 ». Tell us : your costume, your street, the candy, the pumpkins – and one sentence about the clocks that fall back in the night. The best texts will appear in VOL.2 (page 7, « Readers' Corner »).

영어로 80–100단어를 쓰세요: 나의 10월 31일 토요일. 분장, 거리, 사탕, 호박을 쓰고, 밤에 되돌리는 시계에 대해서도 한 문장을 쓰세요.

MODEL 모범 답안

On Saturday, October 31, our street becomes a small Halloween town. In the morning, I carve a pumpkin with my father and we put a candle inside. At six o'clock, I wear my pirate costume and take my bag. House after house, I say « Trick or treat ! » and the neighbours smile and give me candy. My bag is heavy at nine o'clock ! In the night, the clocks fall back, so I sleep one hour more on Sunday. It is my favourite weekend of the autumn.

ANSWERS 모든 정답과 해설 (1–8면)

— 제 1 면 —

1. ballot • 2. early • 3. November 3 • 4. champion • 5. opened • 6. first • 7. B • 8. C • 9. A • 10. B

— 제 2 면 —

11. half past (8:30 = 여덟 시 반) • 12. quarter past • 13. quarter to • 14. midnight (0:00 = 자정) • 15. o'clock (3:00 = 세 시 정각) • 16. Checks are going to grow in January. • 17. Milwaukee is going to play Game 1 on Friday. • 18. We are going to check the fridge tonight. • 19. Are you going to vote early this year ? (의문문: be를 앞으로) • 20. B • 21. B • 22. C • 23. A • 24. b • 25. d • 26. c • 27. a

— 제 3 면 —

28. False • 29. True • 30. False • 31. True • 32. False • 33. costume • 34. carve • 35. porch (porch = 현관 앞 공간) • 36. candy (96%가 사탕을 사요) • 37. patch • 38. B • 39. A • 40. B (올해는 그리스 신들이 유행) • 41. B • 42. Children go door to door on October 31. (현재 시제는 습관을 말해요) • 43. She buys a Greek god costume. • 44. He does not like horror films. • 45. will rain

— 제 4 면 —

46. A • 47. A • 48. B • 49. C (F1 본경기는 일요일) • 50. B • 51. d • 52. b • 53. a • 54. c • 55. older • 56. hotter • 57. busiest • 58. more • 59. The 76ers won 106–100. • 60. The Knicks raised their banner. • 61. Milwaukee swept the Dodgers. • 62. Tampa Bay beat Cleveland on Monday. • 63. Fans watched three games on Tuesday night.

— 제 5 면 —

64. A • 65. A (수요일 아침 인기 검색 스냅샷 중 하나) • 66. B • 67. B • 68. C • 69. stream • 70. highlights • 71. viral • 72. roster • 73. earnings • 74. feed (feed = 피드) • 75. Tesla is reporting its results tonight. • 76. The teams are playing 43 games this week. • 77. Fans are watching the tripleheader on their phones. • 78. Milwaukee is preparing for Game 1. • 79. True • 80. False • 81. False

— 제 6 면 —

82. C (가장 큰 이유는 긴 줄 피하기 34%) • 83. 27 (선거일에 일하는 사람: 27명) • 84. 61% (34 + 27 = 61) • 85. False (27 + 16 = 43, 절반이 안 돼요) • 86. 18 points (34 − 16 = 18퍼센트포인트) • 87. 100% (네 항목 합계 100%) • 88. B • 89. B (미국 선거는 각 주가 운영해요) • 90. B • 91. C • 92. more convenient • 93. highest • 94. earlier • 95. smaller • 96. incumbent • 97. margin • 98. turnout • 99. campaign

— 제 7 면 —

100. opened • 101. go up (go up 오르다) • 102. beat • 103. has • 104. no longer • 105. head • 106. about (about 약, 대략) • 107. spring • 108. I agree with you. (agree는 동사라서 앞에 am이 필요 없어요) • 109. Yesterday I went to the game. (go의 과거형은 went) • 110. This week is busier than last week. (busier에 이미 비교급이 들어 있어 more는 쓰지 않아요) • 111. He doesn't like early voting. (3인칭 단수 부정은 doesn't + 기본형)

— 제 8 면 —

112. C (10월 31일은 할로윈) • 113. A (carve: 호박 등을 파요) • 114. B (neither...nor: ~도 ~도 아니다) • 115. A (costume: 할로윈 분장) • 116. B (she는 3인칭 단수 → wears) • 117. B (trick or treat 하면 사탕을 받아요) • 118. A (will + 동사 기본형 fall) • 119. C (be going to → is going) • 120. B (9:15 = a quarter past nine) • 121. A (we → get (기본형)) • 122. B (이미 끝난 경기는 won) • 123. B (than → 비교급 hotter) • 124. A (despite + 명사: 비가 오는데도) • 125. A (whether = ~인지 (여부)) • 126. A (과거의 일은 과거형 opened) • 127. A (be going to + 기본형 cast) • 128. B (본문: a nurse from Houston) • 129. B (11월 3일에 그녀는 하루 종일 일해요) • 130. A (스티커에 I VOTED EARLY라고 쓰여 있어요) • 131. B (텍사스 사전투표는 10월 30일에 끝나요) • 132. On Saturday, they are going to carve a pumpkin. (are going to + 기본형) • 133. The Knicks raised their first banner since 1973. (raise → raised (규칙 변화)) • 134. scarier (scary → scarier (y가 i로 바뀌고 er)) • 135. Whether (whether가 '~인지' 절을 이끌어요) • 136. 투표는 이제 하루의 일이 아니라 한 계절이에요. (no longer = 더 이상 ~않다) • 137. The 76ers won the game 106–100. (win → won; 점수 106–100) • 138. This year, early voting opened on Monday. (open → opened; on Monday) • 139. 두 클럽 모두 월드시리즈에서 우승한 적이 없어요. (neither는 '둘 다 아니다'라는 부정; has ever won은 현재완료) • 140. b (midterm = 중간선거, b) • 141. c (incumbent = 현직자, c) • 142. d (margin = 격차, d) • 143. a (turnout = 투표율, a) • 144. ID (투표할 때 신분증 ID를 보여요) • 145. line (line = 줄 (미국 영어)) • 146. ballot (ballot = 투표용지) • 147. sticker (sticker = 스티커) • 148. November (선거일은 11월 3일 (화요일)) • 149. 열린 문제 — 기준은 쓰기 칸에, 모범 답안은 8면 쓰기 칸 안에 (기준 항목대로 채점해요)