

Lowering the Voting Age



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Reading

In some countries, turning 16 is a momentous occasion. It marks the onset of adulthood, when people are granted the right to marry, enter military service, and drive a motor vehicle. Often, students may legally leave school and enter the workforce at 16. One thing they are barred from doing in many democracies, however, is voting. A movement is underway to change this, with several countries considering lowering the voting age to 16. Supporters argue that because people are considered adults in most respects at that age, they should also have the right to vote. And supporters view this as a way to encourage civic involvement in the face of declining voter turnout.

You can see the whole lesson from your teacher, please ask them to send it to you before the class.

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