

# Escape the SEC classroom



## Room 1 – Word Scramble

### Instructions:

- Answer each question below carefully.
- Each choice has a letter assigned to it. Circle the correct answer, then write down the letter from your chosen answer in the boxes below.
- When you've answered all the questions, *arrange the letters to reveal the secret word that unlocks the next room.*

### 1. What is one key part of calming down an upset voter?

- A. Use active listening and show empathy → **V**
- B. Speak quickly to end the conversation fast → **R**
- C. Tell them "Rules are rules" with no explanation → **O**
- D. Avoid eye contact and look away → **C**

### 2. Who has the "policing powers" in the polling place?

- A. The poll clerk → **T**
- B. Staff → **D**
- C. The SEC Director → **B**
- D. A voter → **U**

### 3. What is the main responsibility of a Poll Clerk on Election Day?

- A. Overseeing poll workers and running the polling place → **O**
- B. Assisting with counting ballots after voting ends → **M**
- C. Promoting a political candidate at the polls → **S**
- D. Helping voters and resolving issues during disputes → **G**

### 4. A fire forces everyone to evacuate the polling place on Election Day. Emergency officials confirm it is safe to remain outside, but you cannot re-enter the building to access any voting equipment. How should voting continue?

- A. Pause all voting until you are allowed back inside → **K**
- B. Continue voting by switching to emergency paper ballots → **E**
- C. Send voters to a different polling location without approval → **C**
- D. Ask voters to handwrite their selections on blank ballot cards → **V**

### 5. Which of the following is not an accepted form of photo ID for voting in South Carolina?

- A. South Carolina Driver's License → **G**
- B. U.S. Passport → **A**
- C. Permanent Residency Card (Green Card) → **R**
- D. SC Voter Registration Card with photo → **T**



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## Room 2 – Crossword Puzzle

**Instructions:** Complete the crossword puzzle and uncover a secret 2-digit code.

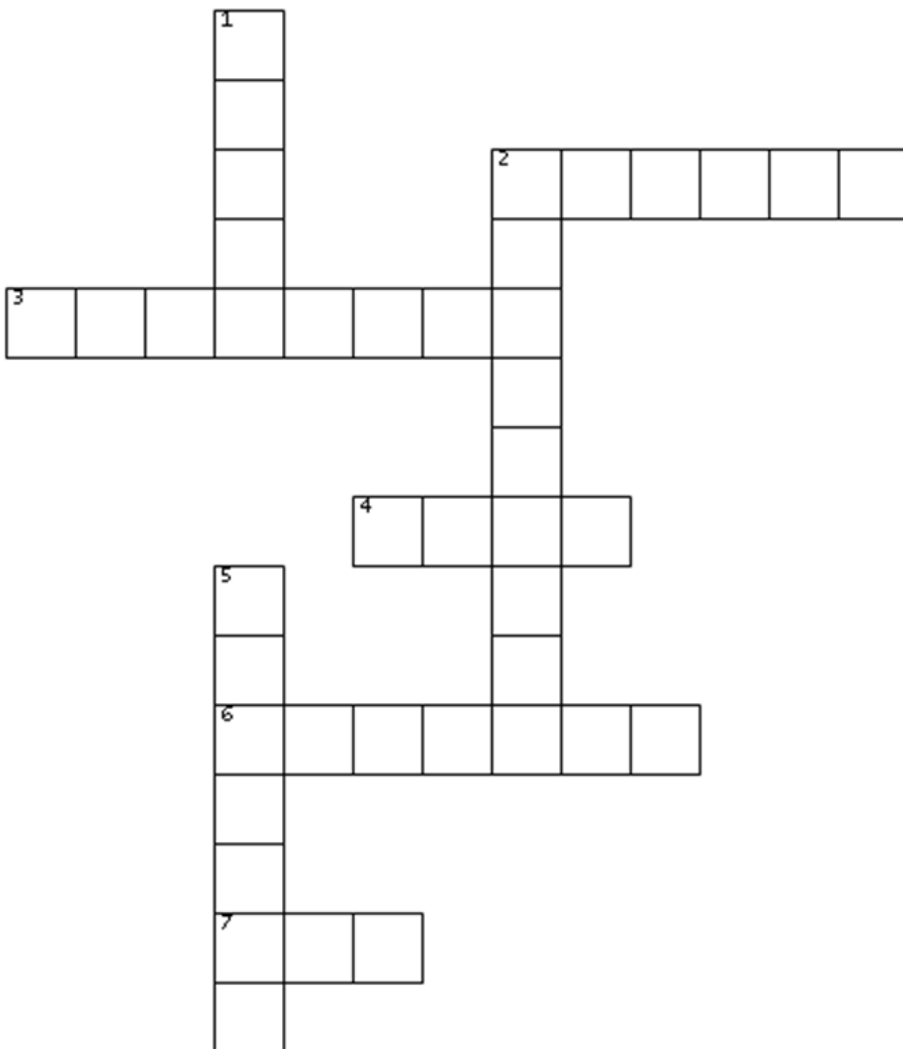
1. Solve all the clues and fill in the crossword grid.

2. Once your crossword is complete, count how many times the *letter "A" appears* in all your answers.

Then, count how many times the *letter "E" appears*.

3. Put those two numbers together (A first, then E).

That two-digit number is your code to unlock the next room.



### ACROSS

2. If the zero tape or results tape fails to print from the scanner, you must call the \_\_\_\_\_/ PLT immediately.

3. These ballots can be returned during early voting.

4. \_\_\_\_\_ Managers - A pair of impartial staff who may legally provide assistance to voters.

6. If curbside spots cannot be seen from inside, this area must be checked every 15 \_\_\_\_\_.

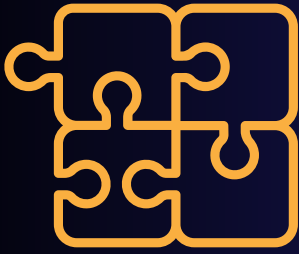
7. This check-in device connects to the internet.

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1. Curbside voters must be attended to rain or \_\_\_\_\_.

2. This tool provides accountability and ensures all opening tasks are completed.

5. Campaign materials found within 500 feet of the polling place must be \_\_\_\_\_ or covered.



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## Room 3 – Arrow Sequence

### Instructions:

1. Read each scenario or question in Column A.
2. Match it with the correct answer in Column B by writing the letter next to the question.
3. After completing all matches, take the arrows next to the correct answers to reveal the 5-arrow sequence for the code.

Column A	Column B
1. A voter arrives on Election Day without a photo ID and only has a non-photo voter registration card and does not own a photo id. The Poll Manager asks you what to do. How should this voter proceed, and under which provisional section would this fall?	<p><b>A.</b> Regular ballot →</p> <p><b>B.</b> Provisional – Section A: Failsafe ↓</p> <p><b>C.</b> Provisional – Section C: Voter Did Not Bring Photo ID ↑</p> <p><b>D.</b> Provisional – Section D: Voter Has No Photo ID ←</p>
2. After checking the voter in on the EPB (if applicable), what is the next step in issuing a provisional ballot?	<p><b>A.</b> Issue the ballot and secrecy envelope to the voter ↓</p> <p><b>B.</b> Fill out the Voter Details and relevant section of the Provisional Ballot envelope ↑</p> <p><b>C.</b> Give the voter a completed Notice of Provisional Ballot Hearing ←</p>
3. Which list shows the four items the SEC recommends Clerks return in the blue ballot bin on Election Night?	<p><b>A.</b> Voted ballots, flash drive from the scanner(s), zero and totals tapes, completed and sealed provisional ballot envelopes →</p> <p><b>B.</b> Voter registration applications, seals envelope, zero tape only, unused ballots ↓</p>
4. How should a poll clerk handle a provisional ballot?	<p><b>A.</b> Seal it in a completed Provisional envelope and insert into emergency/provisional slot of the scanner. ↓</p> <p><b>B.</b> Treat it as a regular ballot and scan it →</p>
5. Properly sealing voting equipment is important because it keeps the equipment secure and ensures a clear chain of custody.	<p><b>A.</b> True ↓</p> <p><b>B.</b> False ↑</p>