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Saudi women to vote for first time

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THE READING

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Saudi Arabian women are registering to vote for the first time ever. They will vote in elections later this year. The first woman to register was Safinaz Al-Shamat. She wanted to be, "the first woman to arrive at the centre" to register. She said it was her national duty. Another woman who registered said: "The participation of Saudi women in the municipal elections as voters...was a dream for us. We are just at the beginning of the road."

Letting women vote was a plan of King Abdullah, who died earlier this year. The Saudi government said letting women vote was, "a significant milestone in progress". At least 70 women also want to run for office and more than 80 want to be campaign managers. A possible candidate in the elections is 36-year-old Haifa al-Hababi. She wants to campaign for change. She said that: "Change is life. The government has given us this tool and I intend to use it."

Sources: <http://news.sky.com/story/1538353/saudi-women-register-to-vote-for-first-time>
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VOCABULARY MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|---------------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. Saudi Arabian women are | a. duty |
| 2. for the first | b. registering to vote |
| 3. They will vote | c. of the road |
| 4. later | d. the centre |
| 5. arrive at | e. time ever. |
| 6. She said it was her national | f. for us |
| 7. a dream | g. in elections |
| 8. at the beginning | h. this year |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

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|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Letting women | a. office |
| 2. a significant | b. given us this tool |
| 3. run for | c. milestone |
| 4. campaign | d. the elections |
| 5. A possible candidate in | e. to use it |
| 6. She wants to campaign | f. vote |
| 7. The government has | g. for change |
| 8. I intend | h. managers |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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Saudi Arabian women are (1) _____ for the first time ever. They will vote in elections (2) _____. The first woman to register was Safinaz Al-Shamat. She wanted to be, "the first woman (3) _____ centre" to register. She said it was (4) _____. Another woman who registered said: "The participation of Saudi women in the municipal elections as (5) _____ for us. We are just (6) _____ of the road."

Letting women (7) _____ of King Abdullah, who died earlier this year. The Saudi government said letting women vote was, "(8) _____ in progress". At least 70 women also want (9) _____ and more than 80 want to be (10) _____. A possible candidate in the elections is 36-year-old Haifa al-Hababi. She wants to campaign for change. She said that: "(11) _____. The government has given us this tool (12) _____ use it."

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student A: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a)

b)

c)

d)

e)

f)

g)

h)

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WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student B: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a)

b)

c)

d)

e)

f)

g)

h)
