

# Do you know how to make your vote count?

## The federal election is on Saturday 3 May

It's important you understand how to fill out your ballot papers the proper way on election day.

On the day you'll be given two ballot papers to fill out:

- a small green ballot paper for the House of Representatives, and
- a large white one for the Senate.

On the green ballot paper you are voting for someone to represent your local area in the House of Representatives.

On the white ballot paper you are voting for representatives of your state or territory in the Senate.

**Don't worry if you make a mistake. Just ask for another ballot paper and start again.**

**Green ballot paper** – number **every box** in the order of your choice

Sample ballot paper

**White ballot paper** – you can choose to vote either above the line or below the line

Sample ballot paper

## EITHER

**Vote above the line**

Number **at least 6 boxes** for parties or groups, in the order of your choice.

## OR

**Vote below the line**

Number **at least 12 boxes** for individual candidates, in the order of your choice.

To help make sure you're ready, you can see more about how to fill out your ballot papers the proper way at [aec.gov.au](http://aec.gov.au). Your vote will help shape Australia.

To learn more

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