

C7 Race Relations and Racism in the USA**Key for the Listening Comprehension**

1) Which line did Ariel Sky Williams use when she was stopped by the police?

- a) I am unarmed and did nothing wrong.
- b) I am unarmed and I have nothing that will hurt you.**
- c) I am innocent and won't hurt you.

2) What happened to Ariel Sky's father when a police officer stopped him?

He was put in handcuffs for something that had nothing to do with him. The cops slammed him on the ground, busted his lip and chipped his tooth.

3) One mother tells her daughter she was pulled over because the police officers claimed her rear brake light wasn't working.

4) What does the grandmother say to her grandson Sean?

- a) He has to be careful because he will probably get pulled over at least once in his life.
- b) He is at the same risk as his brother of getting stopped by the police.
- c) He has better chances of not getting pulled over because of his lighter skin color.**

5) Two mothers tell their kids _____

- a) they should always comply with the orders the police officers give them.**
- b) they shouldn't follow all orders the police officers give them.
- c) they should sign a statement after they were controlled by the police.

6) One mother would like police officers to take diversity training regularly.

C10 Mailing in Voting

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1 President Trump's two concerns regarding mail-in ballots are that

- they make frauds easier and favor his party.
- they favor the opposing party and there will likely be a high number of vote frauds.
- the upcoming elections will be unfair and lots of votes will be invalid.
- there will be an exponential increase of votes and no chance for him to win the election.

Quote: line(s) 4-6  He has made (...) easier to cheat.

2 Right after the presidential election in November 2016

- Trump presented evidence that a lot of illegal workers had voted.
- Trump claimed he lost the electoral college because of invalid votes.
- Trump stated that he would have won the popular vote if the illegal votes hadn't been counted.
- Trump criticized mail-in voting and said it's dangerous.

Quote: line(s) 13-17  (...) he declared without (...) electoral college vote.

3 The Heritage Foundation is

- closer to the Republican Party.
- closer to the Democratic Party.

Quote: line(s) 24  a right-wing think tank

4 Considering the Heritage's data, the authors conclude that

- there is not enough evidence that voter fraud actually happened.
- vote-by-mail systems could be problematic for general elections.
- clocking vote-by-mail would be recommendable in some states.
- that the vote fraud results rather advocate vote-by-mail under the current circumstances.

Quote: line(s) 51-54  Our conclusion from (...) in a pandemic.

5 According to the authors, the chart M2 clearly shows that

- vote fraud is organized and arranged by certain groups.
- vote fraud could, if all 50 states allowed vote-by-mail, have a significant influence on elections.
- vote fraud attempts are rather individual and wouldn't have a significant impact on elections.
- vote-by-mail states have to improve their vote-by-mail system.

Quote: line(s) 66–70  Republicans would have (...) an organized level.

6 In the state of Washington, two women were convicted of vote fraud because ...

Name	Reason	Sentence
Janice Waters	She voted a ballot for her son who was a convicted felon.	Jail time, which was later converted to community service.
Jane Kay Balogh	She registered her dog to vote at her address and filled out an absentee ballot for him.	She got a deferred sentence, community service, and had to pay court costs.

7 A well-known large-scale vote fraud

- was committed by operatives for a congressional candidate so the election was repeated.
- happened due to a high number of fraudulent votes attempted by mail.
- happened in North Carolina's governor's election in 2018.
- happened in North Carolina, but all charges against the perpetrators were dropped.

Quote: line(s) 85–91  The most famous (...) new one held.