



FREE VOTING GUIDE • NOVEMBER 2026

Finally Understand What You're Voting On

Two copy-and-paste AI prompts that explain your ballot in plain English and match it to your views.

The election is just around the corner. Here's how AI can help you vote. Propositions are often written in confusing legal language, and sometimes a YES vote means the opposite of what you'd expect. These two prompts walk you through your ballot in plain English and show how each choice lines up with your views.

HOW IT WORKS

1

Open Claude, ChatGPT, or Gemini.

The free versions work. All three can search the web, which this needs.

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Paste the Step 1 prompt and answer its questions.

It asks 6 quick questions about your views, one at a time, then builds a table of every proposition on your ballot with a suggested vote.

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When you're ready, paste Step 2 in the same chat.

It does the same for your candidates, using the answers you already gave.

STEP 1 • Propositions

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Help me understand the propositions and ballot measures on my November 3, 2026 ballot. Before doing anything else, ask me the following questions one at a time, waiting for my answer before asking the next:

1. What is my city and ZIP code?
2. What is my party? (Democrat, Republican, Independent, or Other)
3. Are my fiscal views conservative, moderate, or liberal?
4. Are my social views conservative, moderate, or liberal?
5. Am I against new taxes, or open to taxes for good causes?
6. What are my top 3 issues?

Then search for the state and local measures on my ballot. If my ZIP code covers more than one city or county, ask me which one I'm in.

Give me a table with: suggested vote (YES, NO, or YOUR CALL if it's close), a one-sentence summary, what a YES vote and a NO vote mean, and a short reason based on my views.

End with a short "My Ballot at a Glance" list, then list your sources once at the bottom.

Be fair to all sides, use nonpartisan sources, and tell me if you can't find reliable information instead of guessing. Plain English, please.

STEP 2 · Candidates (paste in the same chat as Step 1)

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Now do the same for the candidates on my ballot, from federal down to local, including judges and school board. Before you start, ask me: Do I usually vote party line, for the best candidate, or a mix?

Give me a table with: suggested vote (a candidate's name, or YOUR CALL if it's close), each candidate's name and party, a one-sentence summary of their positions, and a short reason based on my views. If my ZIP code covers more than one district, ask me which one I'm in.

End with a short "My Ballot at a Glance" list, then list your sources once at the bottom.

GOOD TO KNOW

It may ask permission to visit websites.

You might see a prompt asking to allow a site like your Secretary of State or Ballotpedia. That's normal. Click Allow.

Free versions have a message limit.

If it stops partway, wait a few hours and come back to the same chat. Type "please continue" and it picks up where it left off.

Keep your ballot handy.

For the candidates, the AI may ask which districts you're in. The ballot or voter guide that came in the mail shows them next to each race. Just type them in.

Keep your answers short.

For your top 3 issues, a few words each is plenty. For example: Social Security, cost of living, public safety.

Double-check before you mark your ballot.

AI can make mistakes, especially on small local races. Compare the results with the official voter guide from your county or state.

Please note: Suggested votes are based only on the answers you give. They are not recommendations from Wise & Wired Studio. Your vote is yours.

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