

F. Political parties

What are the following political parties in Finnish? Do you recognize their emblems? *Anna's symbolit*

















1. The Centre Party of Finland
2. The Social Democratic Party of Finland
3. The National Coalition Party
4. The Left Alliance
5. The True Finns
6. The Green League
7. The Christian Democrats
8. The Swedish People's Party of Finland

Discuss in small groups.

- In your opinion, what differences are there between the political parties mentioned above?
- Why do we need political parties? Or do we?
- How do you feel about the work they do? Why?
- Can you name any MPs or ministers from your own area?
- What are the benefits and drawbacks of a coalition or a one-party government?
- How can you take part in decision-making? Consider the possibilities at your school, in your neighbourhood or at the national level.
- What political parties or other groups are represented in your town council?
- What important issues are politicians dealing with now?