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President Trump



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On 8 November 2016, Donald J. Trump won the election for the 45th President of the United States of America. He will be inaugurated in January. Who is President Trump?

Donald Trump won the presidency for the Republican Party, defeating the Democrat Hillary Clinton, the first woman candidate for President. Mr Trump is the first U.S. President with no experience in elected office, government or military command. He isn't a politician, he's a businessman and a reality TV star. At age 70, he is the oldest President to enter the White House.

Trump the Businessman

Mr Trump a <u>billionaire</u> businessman. His father, Fred, made a fortune building apartments in New York. His mother, Mary, immigrated to the U.S.A. from Scotland. Donald Trump inherited the company from his father but he made it much more successful. He built hotels, casinos, golf courses and Trump Tower, a famous skyscraper in Manhattan, where he lives and works.

Mr Trump has written bestselling books about business. He became so famous he was invited to star in the reality TV show *The Apprentice*. The show was one of the most popular on U.S. TV from 2004 to 2015. Candidates in *The Apprentice* completed a series of challenges to win a job with the Trump

Organization.

Donald Trump is now married to his third wife, Melania, and has five children, aged 10-38, and seven grandchildren. His adult children will run his company when he is President.

Election Promises

What will the new President want to change in the



Barack Obama, the 44th President, was elected in 2008 and 2012. He was the first African-American president. He is a Democrat, the party that opposes Mr Trump's Republican party.

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country? In the election he promised to invest money in infrastructure: building hospitals, schools and roads. He wants to reduce taxes and limit immigration. He has talked about building a wall on the 3200-km long border with Mexico, to stop illegal immigration. He has promised to encourage industry and jobs. And he wants to abandon the reforms President Obama initiated to give all Americans access to <u>medical care</u> and to protect the environment from climate change.



Help

whose fortune is one billion (1,000,000,000) dollars or more

electoral college (n, U.S.) a group of people whose role

billionaire (n) a rich person is to represent their states' votes for the President.

> medical care (exp) the possibility to receive medicine and help from doctors

Electing President Trump

June 2015: Declaration

Donald Trump announced he wanted to be the Republican Presidential candidate.

January-June 2016: Primaries

The Republican voters in each state voted to choose their favourite candidate.

18-21 July: Convention

Donald Trump officially became the Republican candidate. He chose Mike Pence, governor of the state of Indiana, as the candidate for Vice-President.

November 8, Election Day

Citizens vote for the candidates, but the popular vote doesn't directly elect the president. Each state has a number of Electors for the <u>Electoral College</u>. The candidate who wins the popular vote in a state gets all the state's Electoral College votes.* Donald Trump won a majority of Electors.

December 19: The Electoral College

The Electoral College will confirm the election of the president.

January: Inauguration

January 20, 2017, Donald Trump will be inaugurated the 45th president of the U.S.A.

Except for Nebraska and Maine, where it is proportional.