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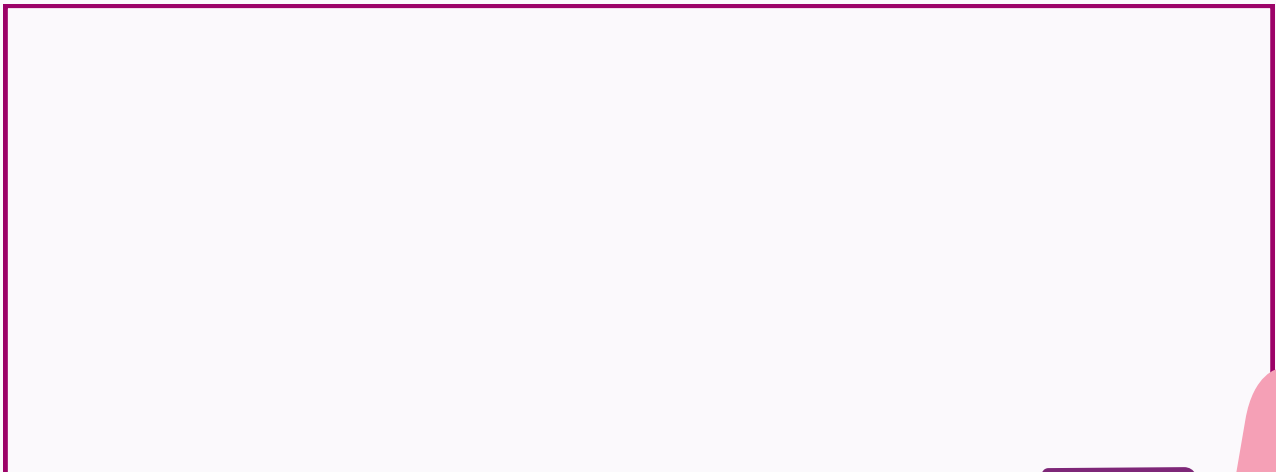
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Possible answers could include:

- Emphasise the benefits of registering.
- Make it short and snappy.
- Use positive language.
- Make use of current social media trends to make a point.
- Talk about how quick and easy it is.
- Be passionate.

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The electoral register is a published document. There are deadlines each month and before elections. If your name isn't added before the deadline, you could miss out on voting. You can't register on the day of the election.

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Your National Insurance number is used to prove your identity, but this can be done in different ways. Occasionally, the electoral office will contact someone to ask to see ID, but this is more common in over 18s.

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Registering to vote is not automatic, each individual must apply to register using a form or online at www.gov.uk/register-to-vote.

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Anyone who lives in Scotland can register to vote. Your nationality dictates which elections you can vote in, but does not prevent your from registering.