

The image features a large green speech bubble with a white outline and a small tail pointing downwards. Inside the bubble, the text "Types of Elections" is written in a black, sans-serif font. The background is white with faint, light gray curved lines and dashed lines, suggesting a circular or orbital pattern.

Types of Elections

General Elections

- **AKA Popular elections**
- **Population votes**
- **Last vote to pick the
president/governor/mayor**

A green speech bubble graphic with a tail pointing downwards, containing the text 'Issues in Elections'.

Issues in Elections

- Only two parties to choose from (polarization)
- There is no moderate party

Special Elections

- **If a vacancy opens (someone dies or leaves office)**



Majority

- **51% or more to pass**
- **Used most in our system**

Plurality

- **Seen in multi-party (coalition) governments**
- **Do not need a majority to win/pass laws**

Recall Elections

- **Voting** someone OUT of office

A green speech bubble graphic with a tail pointing downwards and to the left. The word "Initiative" is written inside in black text.

Initiative

- **People start the lawmaking process**

Referendum

- Referring the ratification of a law to the people

Bonds

- On the ballot, people vote on whether the government should spend money on infrastructure