

## Voting

### PBS Resources

- ❖ Peg + Cat Election Problem Game

[pbskids.org/peg/games/election-problem](https://pbskids.org/peg/games/election-problem)



- ❖ 9 Picture Books About Voting and Elections | PBS

Parents [www.pbs.org/parents/thrive/9-picture-books-about-voting-and-elections](https://www.pbs.org/parents/thrive/9-picture-books-about-voting-and-elections)



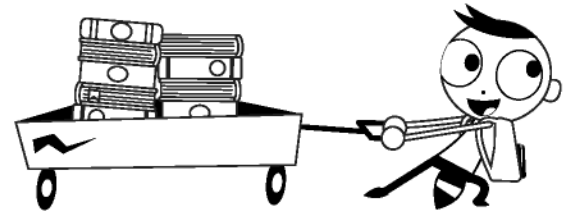
### Extend the Moment

- ❖ For younger kids take a vote at home and record for example favorite cereal or ice cream flavor.
- ❖ For older kids have them do some research on a topic like a vacation spot, then have them present to the family- take a vote on the best presentation. Talk about what persuaded you.
- ❖ Talk about how voting can help friends settle arguments.
- ❖ What does it mean to be a good leader? Make a list of characteristics together of a good leader. Find a biography of a good political leader.



# I Voted!

You, your family members, and your friends have different interests and hobbies. Some people like to read books, others like to solve math problems, play an instrument, practice a sport, or draw. Host an election and ask each person in your family to vote for an activity they would like to do the most - together. Everyone will make their choice and place their ballot in the ballot box. After votes have been cast (after people choose), count together the number of votes for each activity. Talk with your family about which activity received the most votes. Talk about which had the least number of votes. Did anything surprise you? Talk about the outcome and enjoy the activities in the order that received the most votes to the least.



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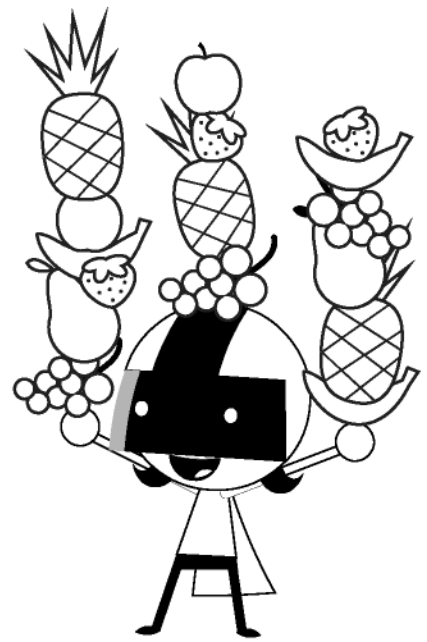
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# I Voted!

There are many types of fruit and different people may prefer one fruit more than another. Ask each member of your family to vote for their favorite fruit. Share a ballot with each person (don't forget to include yourself too!). Everyone will make their choice and place their ballot in the ballot box. After ballots have been cast, count the number of votes for each fruit. Talk with your family about which fruit received the most votes. Talk about which had the least number of votes. Did anything surprise you? Talk about the outcome!

(Ask an adult for help to cut out the official ballot cards.)



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On Election Day, in many communities, voters receive a sticker, a badge, or a button after they cast their ballot. This token both recognizes participation and encourages others to vote.

Color and cut out these "I Voted Today!" badges. Share them with members of your family after they cast their ballot. You can help celebrate and recognize their participation in the election.



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