



WHICH HAND?

(15 minutes)

OBJECTIVE

Students gather information before making a decision.

MATERIALS

Small prizes, such as stickers or pieces of candy (preferably something you can hide in one hand)

GET READY

- ✓ Make sure you have the small prizes ready and that there is enough for your entire class.

INSTRUCTIONS

- ✓ Say to your students, *Each of you can guess which one of my hands is holding a prize. You will have a better chance at guessing correctly if you ask for information first. Information will help you make a better decision.*
- ✓ Call your students one at a time to guess which hand holds the prize.
- ✓ Ask each member of your class if they would like some information. If they do, give a clue such as: *Choose the hand closest to the window* or *The hand moving up and down is empty.*
- ✓ Allow children who choose the wrong hand to try again later.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- ★ *Did information help you make a good choice?*
- ★ *Can information help you make a good choice when choosing a leader?*
- ★ *Where can you find information about people who want to be our leaders?*

MORE!

Encourage students to bring in information they find on the election such as newspaper articles, pictures, cartoons, bumper stickers, etc., and display them on a Kids Voting bulletin board.

VOTE QUOTE

“If a nation expects to be ignorant and free in a state of civilization, it expects what was never meant to be.”

– Thomas Jefferson