



Let's Vote

After watching the *JA Our Community* Lesson 4 volunteer video session, reinforce the learning in the lesson by helping your child create a voting booth.

Materials

- Small pieces of note paper and one piece of writing paper
- Crayons, markers, or pencils
- A box to decorate as a ballot box (optional)

Activity

Guide your child through the following steps:

- Discuss what activities or events your family would like to do in the future. It might be going to a movie, a sporting event, the theater, a walk to the park, a concert, or any other outing you enjoy.
- Have your child create a ballot by listing the options your family would like to consider and drawing an empty box next to each option. Help her make a copy of the ballot for each family member.
- Together, set up a voting booth where family members can fill out their ballots in private. Your child can also decorate a box or bag into which the voters will place their completed ballots.
- Have your child invite family members to vote, count the ballots, and devise a way to let everyone know the winner. She could announce it at the dinner table, send a text, or create a poster.

Another voting option may be better for small families: have your child create a poll. She may want to know what everyone's favorite color is, or what kind of pie or cereal people prefer. Help her make a list of the choices, then poll close friends and family members to find out their preferences. She can use tally marks to keep track of the answers. She can also create a bar graph of the answers to reinforce math skills.

