

Preferential Voting Flowchart — Answers

Years 5–6 | Ages 8–13 with support | 20 minutes

Teacher / parent guide · Check reasoning as well as answers.

Winning target: 11.

Only ballots currently held by the excluded option move at that step. Each moves to its next preference still in the count.

Follow the NO path through exclusion, transfer and recount, then return to the majority question.

This is a simplified House-style count. An educator must set a tie procedure before running a different classroom election.

RUN THE ACTIVITY

Trace the NO loop with a finger. Explain that only ballots held by the excluded option move at that step.

Allow pointing, oral answers or a partner scribe. Keep colour optional. Use fictional examples and invite explanations without asking about family voting choices.