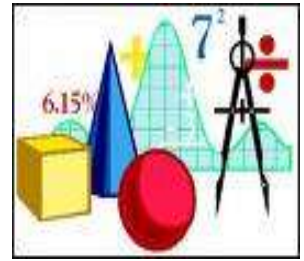


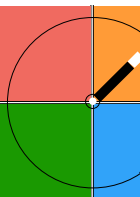
Figuring Out Our Next President



Visit www.president08.net for a graphic look at the race



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Who is My Candidate?

- Mathematics

- Importance of tables and graphs to gather, organize and present information

- • Psychology:

- First, who is your candidate?
 - Now, go to <http://www.selectsmart.com/pre> and based on the inventory, determine your candidate.
 - What did you learn about you?
 - What are the issues?
 - Do a web search on the candidates and use both conservative and liberal website sources.
 - How does your candidate fare?
 - How biased is the media?



Values

- Mathematics
 - From the class rankings, solve the following:
 - Mode
 - Construct a bar graph and /or a pie chart with your findings
- Psychology
 - From the following list, highlight the top ten values you feel are important for a US president to have
 - Now rank them in order with one being the most important and ten the least important.
 - Why did you select these?

Culture

- Mathematics
 - Do a pie chart of the candidates' cultures
 - Do an internet search to look for data that expresses how citizens in the US vote according to cultural norms
 - Post your findings on WebCT
- Psychology
 - Define culture
 - What is the culture of the leading candidates?
 - How does culture impact voting trends?
 - Compare the candidates' culture to yours and describe the similarities/differences

Values Important for a US President

Altruistic	Dynamic	Honest	Moral	Successful
Aggressive	Empathic	Humility	Open-minded	Thrifty
Articulate	Fair	Knowledgeable	Persuasive	Truthful
Charismatic	Flexible	Leadership	Sensitive	Trustworthy
Compassionate	Focused	Logical	Sexy	Visionary
Confident	Friendly	Mindful	Spiritual	Wise
Courageous	Funny	Modest	Strong	Witty

Electoral College

Go to this website:

<http://www.archives.gov/federal-register/electoral-college/>

for these assignments:

- **Mathematics**

- History of mathematics (failed election polls)
- Hamilton's influence



- **Psychology:**

- How do the primaries help make or break a candidate?
- Everyone loves a winner. Why?
- What is the influence of the Electoral College
- How does this knowledge impact you?
- Why vote if the electoral college decides?
- How are laws made to fit the candidate?

Electoral College Ongoing Assignment

- Go to this website on a weekly basis:
<http://www.270towin.com/>
- What does this map reflect?
- Plot the votes for each state
- What does the media portray as major news for this particular week?
- Does that impact the vote?
- Who decided Republicans were Red and Democrats blue? Would it make a difference? Why or Why not?

Voting Techniques

- Mathematics

- The math behind the voting techniques
- Voting techniques

- Psychology

- Explore the voting techniques used throughout the US
- List the pros and cons of each



The Making of a President:

- Mathematics
 - Statistics related to appearances of candidates in the media
 - Using graphs to show candidate- preference based on gender, age, state of origin , etc.
- Psychology
 - What are the emotions demonstrated by the candidates?
 - What is emotional intelligence and how should that impact the presidency?
 - Which candidates uses these emotions the most to influence voters?
 - Fear
 - Terror
 - Anger
 - Us vs Them mentality?
 - Humor
 - Which candidates use these emotions to describe their opposing candidates?
 - Fear
 - Anger
 - Deception
 - Us vs. Them mentality
 - Humor
 - How do morality, religion, race and gender play into this election?
 - How does the media impact our choices?
 - How does the media capture your candidate



What are the Issues?

- Mathematics

- Use of tables and graphs for a better understanding of the number and characteristics of the viewers watching the debates.

- Psychology:

- How does the media impact the issues to be discussed?
- How important are the debates?
- How does the media respond to the debates?



Presidential Influence

- Mathematics
 - Comparing the financial endorsements of the candidates.
 - Using graphs to show how the states rank the candidates.
- Psychology
 - How does celebrity endorsement impact the candidates?
 - Where do the financial endorsements for your candidate come from?
 - How does Florida rank your candidate?
 - What are the current events/variables impacting your candidate?



Based on the Above Information:

- Where does your candidate rank in general popularity?
- Using all the information gathered from previous slides, predict who you think will be the next president
- Go to <http://www.archives.gov/federal-register/electoral>.
- Cast your electoral votes according to your research findings, including media influences
- Print your results
- Hypothesize the winner and post your results.

Graphs and Tables

- Mathematics
 - Gather information from psychology and mathematics classes.
 - Compare the data
 - Predict the winner
 - Demonstrate your work with graphs, tables and pie charts
- Psychology
 - Collect data
 - Compare data of mathematics classes
 - Predict the winner
 - Demonstrate your work with graphs, tables and pie charts

This Project Meets MDC Learning Outcomes:

What are the Learning Outcomes?

- Specifically, The College Learning Outcomes allow students to develop lifelong skills in each of the following ten areas:

- Communication
- Quantitative Analysis
- Critical/Creative Thinking and Scientific Reasoning
- Information Literacy
- Global, Cultural, and Historical Perspectives
- Personal, Civic, and Social Responsibility
- Ethical Thinking
- Computer and Technology Usage
- Aesthetic Appreciation
- Natural Systems and the Environment



Questions?

