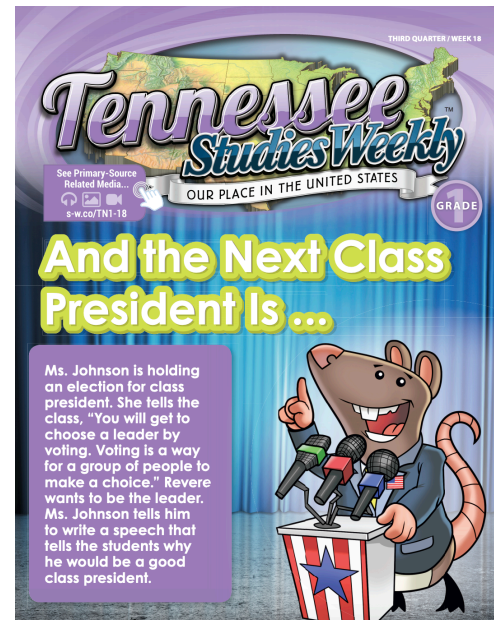


Duck for President

Informative Writing



Prompt: What does it mean to vote and why is it important?

Expectations:

Teacher and students make a thinking map together (whole group). Teacher models using a 4 square organizer to write complete sentences on topic with sentence starters(daily). By the end of the week, a complete paragraph will be written. This is a continuation of the practice started in Q1 with increasing independence.

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I.W.TTP.2 With prompting and support, write informative/explanatory texts, naming a topic, supplying some facts about the topic, and providing some sense of closure.

I.W.PDW.4 With guidance and support, produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.

I.FL.SC.6 Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when speaking and conventions of standard English grammar and usage, including capitalization and punctuation, when writing.

Government and Civics: I.18 Define citizenship, and recognize traits of good citizens, such as respecting the rights of others, voting, following laws, etc.

I.19 Explain that voting is a way of making choices and decisions

Thinking Maps:

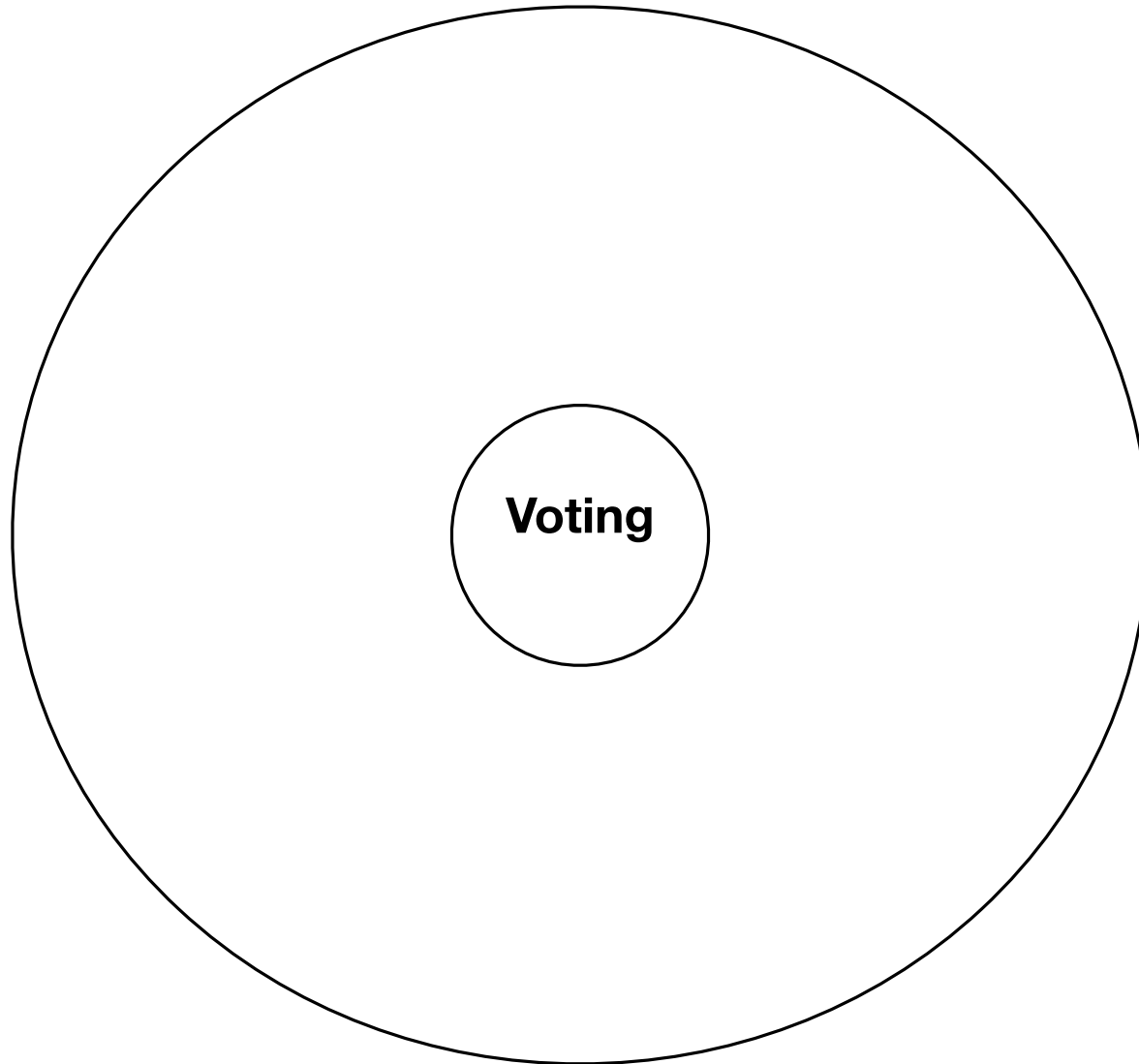
Circle Map - Defining what voting is and how it works

Implementation:

Teacher modeling, whole group instruction, and shared writing

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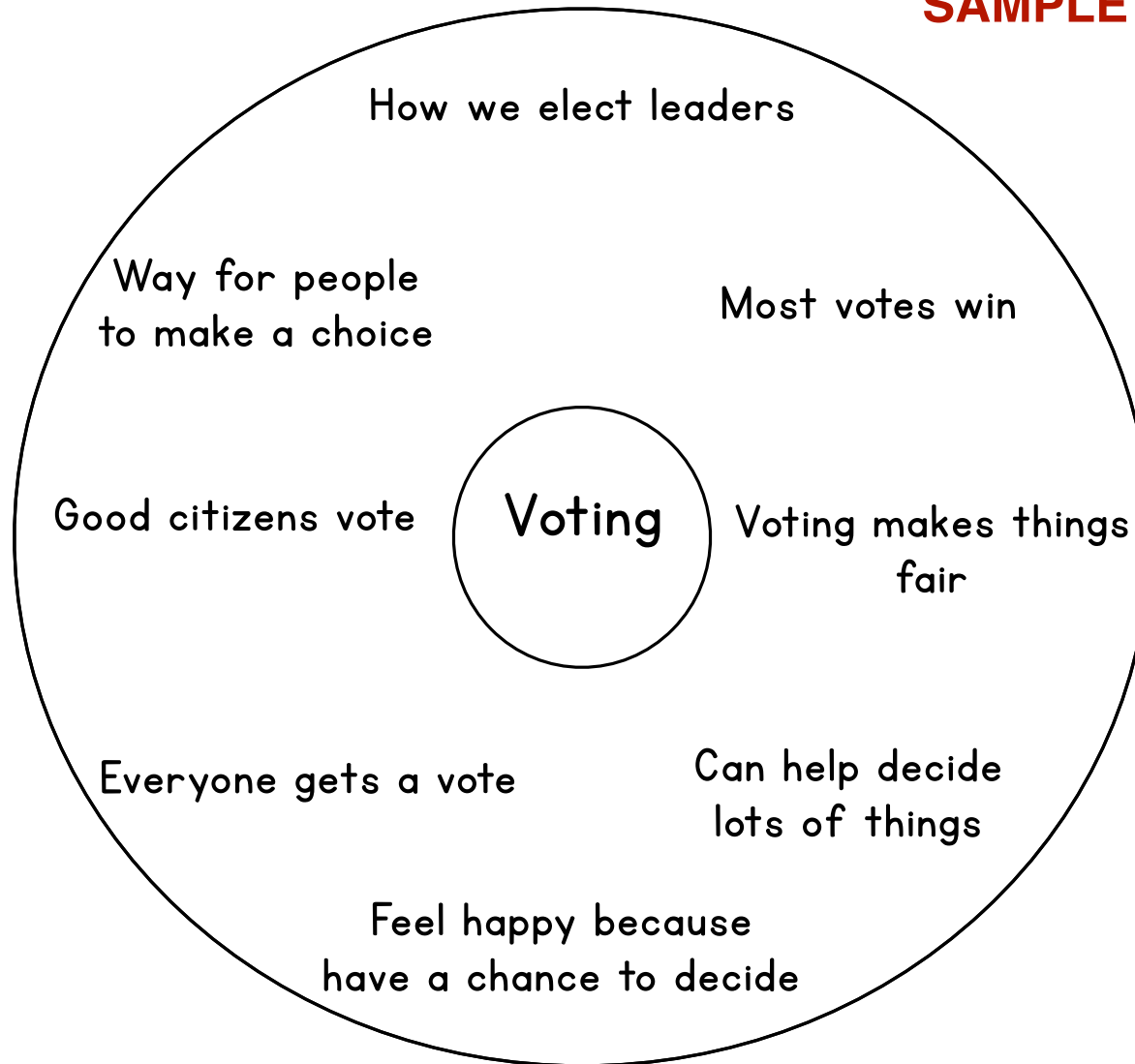
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SAMPLE



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Topic
Sentence

Voting is an important duty.

Detail
#1

Voting is

Detail
#2

We can vote for

Detail
#3

The winner

Conclusion
Sentence

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