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## Make a Choice by Voting

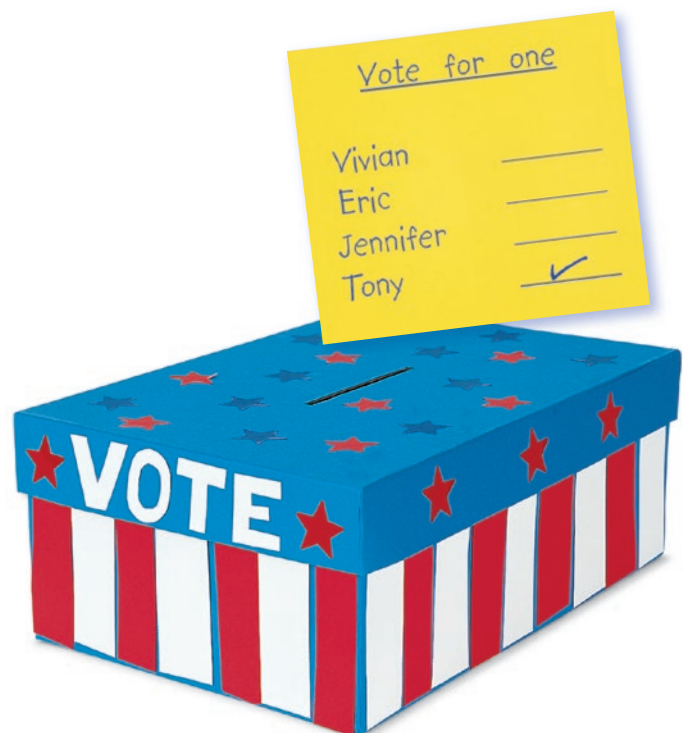
**DIRECTIONS** Read the information. Next, vote in an election. Then apply what you learned.

### Why It Matters

In the United States, citizens choose their leaders. They vote in an election. A vote is a choice that gets counted.

### What You Need to Know

1. Before people vote, they think about who will do the best job.
2. To vote in most elections, people mark a ballot. A ballot lists all the choices. Voters mark their choice in secret. The ballots are not counted until everyone has voted.
3. The winner of an election is the person who gets the most votes.



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## Make a Choice by Voting (continued)

### Practice the Skill

Follow the steps to make a choice by voting.

1. Imagine that your classroom is a community that wants to choose a new mayor. Four people want to lead the community. Only one of them can be mayor.
2. Make ballots that list the name of each person who wants to be mayor. Give each citizen a ballot to mark.
3. When everyone has voted, collect the ballots. Count the votes. The winner is the person who gets the most votes.

Vivian	Eric	Jennifer	Tony
11	10	3	5

### Apply What You Learned

Use voting as a way to make other choices in your classroom.