

Read Aloud Lesson based on the book

If I Were President

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A President is someone you have probably heard of before; but who are they really? And what exactly does a President do? In this book, learn about why we have Presidents and what a President is for. Listen to kids explain what they would do if they were President, and how they would choose to change our world! After reading or listening to **If I Were President** (check YouTube for a read aloud), answer and reflect on the questions below.

- 1. Do you know who the current President is? How about the one before that? As a group, try to name as many Presidents as you can!
- 2. Some of the things said by the kids in the story sounded silly. Can the President really do all that? The answer is yes! All the things in the book are actual responsibilities and privileges of the President. What surprised you most about being the President? What is something you didn't think the President could do until you read this book?
- 3. After listening to all the kids in the story talk about what they would do if they were President, it is now your turn! What would you do if you were President? Is there something really exciting you would like to try? Or maybe you have an idea about how you could change the world? Explain what you would do if you were the President.

- 4. If you could sit down with the President and ask any question, what would it be? You could ask about the President's life, house, family, pets, responsibilities, or anything you wanted! Explain why you would ask this question.
- 5. As the President, you would have the power to change the world and do so much good in other people's lives. Even though being the President is a very interesting job that comes with a lot of power and responsibility, not everyone will get to be President; there's just too many of us! What are some ways that we can do good and make change in our world even if we never get to be President?



