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Rights & Responsibilities

# Lesson Plans & Activities

**Activity 1:** As a family, pretend you are doing an activity together that requires a group decision ie,: Moving, buying a pet, going on vacation, etc.

- **Scenario one:** Give each member of the family an equally weighted opinion on said matter, through a type of voting process. When all “votes” are in, majority rules. Let the process be collaborative, letting each member of the family explain why they chose the choice they chose.
- **Scenario two:** Only a certain number of people get a vote.... Limiting a vote could be because of a certain age; boys vs. girls; heights; etc. Only members in that particular group gets a vote. They get to vote on said activity only.
- **After you do both sets of voting, come together as a family to discuss what that process was like.** How does it feel when your voice is heard? How does it feel when your voice wasn't heard? Why is it important to let each citizen have a say in the decision we make as a society? Do you see any issues with the current set up of our government in the United States? If so, why? If not, why? Whose voices are we hearing? Whose voices are being silenced, why?

**Activity 2:** As a family go use this discussion guide as a resource:

[https://www.crs.org/sites/default/files/usops-resources/17us264\\_cst\\_101\\_rights\\_responsibilities\\_final.pdf](https://www.crs.org/sites/default/files/usops-resources/17us264_cst_101_rights_responsibilities_final.pdf).

Discern how you are going to take action in your civil community and faith community. Also talk about what your rights look like in your family structure. What are the responsibilities that come with family life as well?