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Project Title

It's Not What the Government Knows about You, It's What You Know about the Government

Abstract

Objectives/Goals I believe that the 7th and 8th grade students know more about the up coming election and goverment more than random people off the street.

Methods/Materials

I made up 15 questions and took them to two different places. The first being my school and tested the 7th and 8th graders. The second I took and stood out in front of my local savemart and asked shoppers to take the test.

Results

My results where that the random people off the street remember more then they think, and 7th and 8th graders don't know as much as they think.

Conclusions/Discussion

Even after 10 years or more, most adults still know more about goveerment than the 8th grade students who are studying it today. Most 7th grade students I tested said, yes I know about goverment, but ended up not really knowing as much as they thought.

I discovered I knew less about what adults would remember, and that junior high students still have more to learn.

Summary Statement

Finding out who knows more about government and the upcoming election 7th and 8th graders or random people off the street.

Help Received

Mom proof read my report and drove me around.