

Decision Making

4th & 5th grade

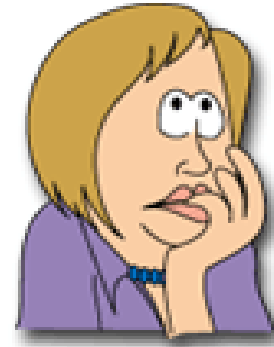


Decisions

- # We all make decisions every day.
- # Some decisions are easy to make.
- # Some decisions are hard to make.
- # When decisions are hard, it helps to know some steps to take in making them.

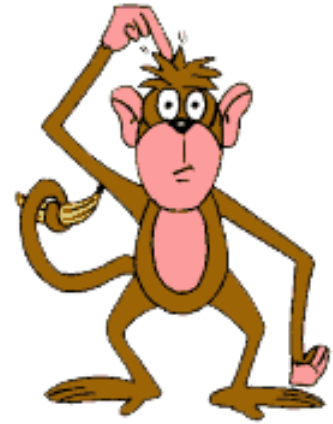


A Tough Decision



Karen and Susan are friends. They sit next to each other at school. Karen is good at math. Susan doesn't like math, and has trouble with it. Tomorrow, their teacher is going to give the class a big math test. Susan comes up to Karen after school. She looks worried. She asks Karen if she can copy her answers on the test tomorrow. Karen doesn't say anything. But at home that night, she worries. She has to decide what to do.

Think about the situation



- # Why is Karen worried?
 - # What decision does Karen have to make?
 - # If Karen lets Susan copy her answers, what could happen?
 - # If you were Karen, would you talk to someone before deciding? Who?
 - # What decision do you think Karen should make?
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Decision Making Steps

- # What is the decision about? (definition)
- # What are my choices? (alternatives)
- # What could happen if I make each choice?
(consequences)
- # What is the best decision?

