

VOTING PATTERNS

*Decide how each of these people will vote in an upcoming Presidential election. You must decide how they will vote and then justify your response. There is no right answer and you will find that some voting characteristics will be in contradiction to each other. Therefore, you need to decide which traits are **most** important in determining how people will vote.*

1. **Grace:** Grace was born in Charlestown, West Virginia, but grew up in Savannah, Georgia. She graduated from the University of Georgia but has been a homemaker her entire adult life. She has been married for almost forty-five years to the head of the local bank. She is also an active member of the Methodist church and a strong supporter of women's rights. She is 65 years old.
2. **Juan:** Juan's mother immigrated to the United States from Mexico in the early 1950s, and his father is a second-generation Puerto Rican immigrant. Juan currently resides in New York City. He dropped out of high school but now owns a successful Mexican restaurant. He is 45 years old.
3. **Isabelle:** Isabelle is a third-generation Cuban American currently residing in Columbia, South Carolina. She attended the University of South Carolina and is now an eighth grade English teacher. She is moderately active in the Lutheran church where she is a member. She is 58 years old.
4. **Luke:** Luke was raised in the Catholic Church, however, he does not consider himself a practicing Christian. Immediately after high school graduation he spent two months hitch-hiking across Europe. Once he returned he went to work on his uncle's farm in western Wisconsin. He still works there today. He recently became a vegetarian and is considering joining Greenpeace and maybe PETA. He is 40 years old.
5. **Rebecca:** Rebecca is a single, white mother. She was raised and currently resides in the suburbs of Burlington, Vermont. She dropped out of high school to care for her ailing mother. She spent four months on welfare before she was hired as a receptionist at a doctor's office. She is 24 years old.
6. **Andrew:** Andrew is Jewish and lives in Princeton, New Jersey. He attended Rutgers University where he majored in Mechanical Engineering. He is a chief engineer on a major redesign project. He recently became engaged and plans to marry in June. He is 28 years old.
7. **Sam:** Sam believes that religion is for the weak. He was drafted after high school and served two tours in Vietnam where he received two Purple Hearts for his combat injuries. He is an active union member and the plant that he works at is in Omaha, Nebraska. He is an avid deer hunter during the fall and loves to fish. He is 60 years old.
8. **Mike:** Mike is the CEO of a moderately large bioengineering firm and a member of the Baptist church. He is African American and grew up in Dallas, Texas. He attended Stanford University. He has been married for eleven years. He is 38 years old. He has no kids although he desperately wants children.
9. **Helen:** Helen has been a widow for over 65 years. She married her high school sweetheart five months after their graduation. Her husband died during World War II. She volunteered to be a nurse during the war. Once the war was over, she worked as a seamstress in a small tailor shop located in Hollywood. She belongs to AARP and depends upon her Social Security check and Medicare to support her nursing home bills. She is 85 years old.