

Grace for President Discussion Guide

Discussion questions (choose a few)

- ★ How did Grace feel when she discovered there had never been a president who was a woman? Why do you think she felt this way? How do you feel about it?
- ★ Why do you think there has never been a woman president?
- ★ Would you want to be president of the United States? Why or why not?
- ★ What are qualities of a good president?
- ★ What would you do if you were president of the United States?
- ★ What would you do if you were president of your classroom?
- ★ If you wanted to run for class president, how might you convince others to vote for you?
- ★ What were some of the campaign promises made by Grace and Thomas?
- ★ If you could choose one thing to change about your school or your community, what would it be and why? How could you go about making that change?
- ★ Why was Thomas so sure he was going to win?
- ★ Why would boys only vote for boys and girls only vote for girls? Is that right?
- ★ Were you surprised by what Sam did at the end? Why?
- ★ What was your favorite part of the book? Was there a part you didn't like?
- ★ Do you think that the United States will ever have a female president? Why do you think that?

Share your experience as a woman leader

- ★ Why did you run for office?
- ★ Describe what a typical day as an elected leader is like.
- ★ What is the best part of your job?
- ★ What did you do before you were an elected official? How did that help you to do a good job, now that you're elected?

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- ★ Women who've run for president, starting with Victoria Woodhull in 1872;
- ★ Why Wyoming is known as the Equality State;
- ★ Multimedia resources on women and public leadership for all ages;
- ★ Lesson modules on women and the presidency and many other topics.

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About Teach a Girl to Lead™



If a girl can't imagine a woman leader, how can she become one? And if a boy sees only men in leadership roles, what will convince him to support aspiring women leaders? **Teach a Girl to Lead™ (TAG)** provides tools and resources to educators, leaders of youth-serving groups, media outlets, and parents who want to help young people rethink leadership with women in the picture.



The Center for American Women and Politics (CAWP) created TAG to inspire girls and young women to follow in the footsteps of women leaders, past and present. Making women's political leadership visible to America's youth will help both girls and boys grow up with more inclusive ideas about who can lead.

CAWP is recognized as the nation's premier resource on all things women and politics. As the world has watched Americans considering female candidates for the nation's highest offices, CAWP's 45 years of analyzing and interpreting women's participation in American politics have provided a foundation and context for the discussion.

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