# **Teddy Roosevelt | Worksheet**



**Warm-Up Activity:** 

Decis	sion-Making Scenario:
I deci	ided to
beca	use
	or <b>False:</b> For the following questions, determine if the statement is true or false. If false, ine the incorrect word(s) and correct the statement in the space provided.
	ample: Baby cats are known as <u>puppies</u> .
	a. True
	(b.) False, <u>kittens</u>
1.	When Teddy Roosevelt was a child, he was big and strong, so his father built him a gym,
	and he took boxing lessons.
	a. True
2	b. False, In school, Teddy Roosevelt loved studying, especially science and math.
۷.	a. True
	b. False,
3.	Teddy Roosevelt was part of a group called the Roughriders, a group of volunteer
	soldiers during the Spanish-American War. Roosevelt led them into battle, and their
	efforts helped liberate Cuba from Spanish rule.
	a. True
1	b. False, Teddy Roosevelt was a gentleman rancher in the badlands of Dakota and the police
4.	commissioner of his hometown, New York City.
	a. True
	b. False,
5.	Roosevelt became Vice President in 1901, but just six months into that job, he was thrust
	into the presidency following the assassination of William McKinley.
	a. True
	b. False,



6.	Roosevelt was the oldest American to assume control of the country's highest office.
	a. True
	b. False,
7.	Roosevelt was faced with many tough decisions but stayed focused on his goal, making
	America a place where everyone had a fair shot, which he called the "Fair Deal."
	a. True
	b. False,
8.	Roosevelt helped build the Panama Canal, which allowed goods to be shipped fast and
	cheap between the Atlantic and Pacific coasts.
	a. True
	b. False,
9.	Roosevelt also focused on conservation work, which meant protecting schools and
	libraries.
	a. True
	b. False,
	Response:  . What did Roosevelt do during his presidency to help make America a place where everyone has a fair shot?
11	. What is an example of a failure Teddy Roosevelt experienced, and what lesson did he learn from it? Use evidence from the video to explain your answer.
12	. What are two decision-making strategies Leo and Layla learn from Teddy Roosevelt's advice in the video?
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Making Connections	ng Connecti	ons:
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13.	According to Roosevelt's decision-making advice in the video, is it worth it to take chances and not make decisions just based on what others think? Explain.					
14.	In the video, Roosevelt says, "There's much to learn from mistakes as well as successes." What is an example of a mistake you have learned from? Explain.					
۱5.	What lesson can you learn from Teddy Roosevelt's leadership and approach to decision-making? Reflect on the Warm-Up Activity. Provide a specific example of how you can apply this lesson to your own life to make better decisions.					

## **Teddy Roosevelt | Answer Key**

#### Warm-Up Activity:

Check students' work for completion.

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- 1. When Teddy Roosevelt was a child, he was <u>big and strong</u>, so his father built him a gym, and he took up boxing lessons.
  - a. True
  - b. False, small and sickly
- 2. In school, Teddy Roosevelt loved studying, especially science and math.
  - a. True
  - b. False, history
- 3. Teddy Roosevelt was part of a group called the Roughriders, a group of volunteer soldiers during the Spanish-American War. Roosevelt led them into battle, and their efforts helped liberate Cuba from Spanish rule.

	efforts helped liberate Cuba from Spanish rule.
	a. True
	b. False,
4.	Teddy Roosevelt was a gentleman rancher in the badlands of Dakota and the police
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- 5. Roosevelt became Vice President in 1901, but just six months into that job, he was thrust into the presidency following the assassination of William McKinley.
  - a. True b. False,
- 6. Roosevelt was the <u>oldest</u> American to assume control of the country's highest office.
  - a. True
  - b. False, youngest
- 7. Roosevelt was faced with many tough decisions but stayed focused on his goal, making America a place where everyone had a fair shot, which he called the "Fair Deal."
  - a. True
  - b. False, Square
- 8. Roosevelt helped build the Panama Canal, which allowed goods to be shipped fast and cheap between the Atlantic and Pacific coasts.
  - a. True b. False, \_\_\_\_\_
- Roosevelt also focused on conservation work, which meant protecting <u>schools and libraries</u>.
  - a. True
  - b. False, national parks and nature

#### **Short Response:**

10. What did Roosevelt do during his presidency to help make America a place where everyone has a fair shot?

Roosevelt was faced with many tough decisions, but he stayed focused on his goal, making America a place where everyone had a fair shot, which he called the "Square

Deal." During his presidency, he made sure businesses and the government didn't lie, steal, or cheat, and he always promoted workers receiving fair pay and enough time off for proper rest.

- 11. What is an example of a failure Teddy Roosevelt experienced, and what lesson did he learn from it? Use evidence from the video to explain your answer.
  - Students should include one of the following examples:
    - Roosevelt lost the 1912 Republican presidential primary, unable to represent his
      party despite his popularity with the American people. His bold and sometimes
      unpopular decisions, viewed by some as expanding government too much,
      showed his willingness to go against the grain. He accepted the consequences
      of his choices, learning from both his mistakes and successes.
    - 2. His time as a cowboy: Most people thought it was crazy for a New York city-slicker to move West, and he ended up a complete failure as a rancher, but he didn't regret his choice to try raising cattle in the Wild West. He needed the adventure, and the risk he took was worth it.
- 12. What are two decision-making strategies Leo and Layla learn from Teddy Roosevelt's advice in the video?

Students should list at least 2 of the following:

- Don't be afraid to go against the crowd, especially if what the crowd is doing isn't right.
- Don't worry about the outcome.
- Don't be afraid to be bold.
- o Don't let peer pressure influence your decisions.

### **Making Connections:**

- 13. According to Roosevelt's decision-making advice in the video, is it worth it to take chances and not make decisions just based on what others think? Explain. Teddy Roosevelt believed that it was worth it to take chances and not make decisions just based on what others think. Roosevelt was not afraid to act boldly and go against peer pressure, no matter the cost.
- 14. In the video, Roosevelt says, "There's much to learn from mistakes as well as successes." What is an example of a mistake you have learned from? Explain. Sample answer: I once ate too much cake at a birthday party after my mom told me not to, and I felt sick for the rest of the day. I learned to listen to my mom's advice and to enjoy sweets in moderation.
- 15. What lesson can you learn from Teddy Roosevelt's leadership and approach to decision-making? Reflect on the Warm-Up Activity. Provide a specific example of how you can apply this lesson to your own life to make better decisions. Sample answer: One key lesson I learned is the importance of perseverance and learning from failures. Roosevelt faced many challenges and made mistakes, but he always used these experiences as opportunities to grow and improve. I will make better decisions in the future by not being influenced by peer pressure.