

Turning to Your Neighbor: 2 Big Questions



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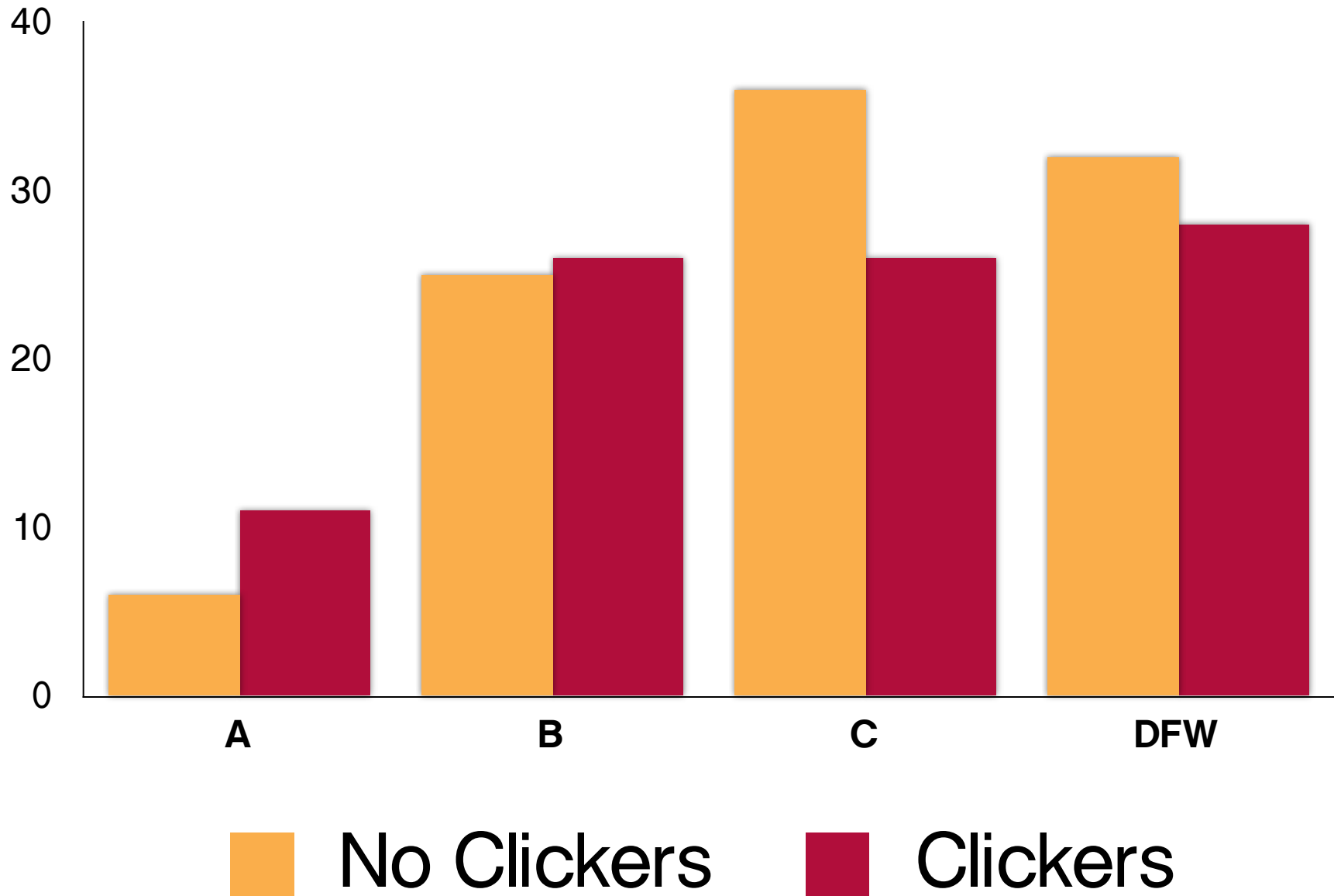


**“I tried using clickers
& it didn't work!”**

Research says....

Students achieve the
same or more when
clickers are used.

Percentage of Students by Earned Grade



It's not the
technology, it's the
pedagogy.

**What are best
pedagogical
practices when using
clickers?**



2 Big Questions



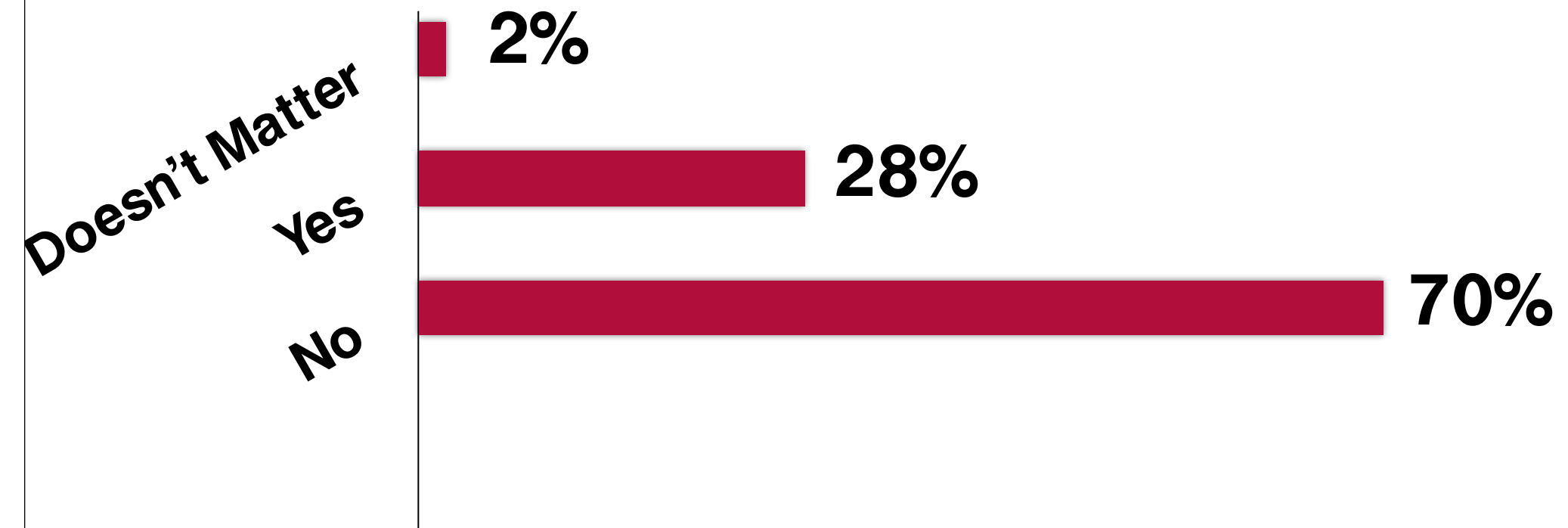
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Show me the
Histogram!

When using clickers,
should you show
students the histogram
before second vote?

1. Yes
2. No
3. Doesn't matter

Should show histogram?



Turn to Your Neighbor Poll, n=109



**What is the only American
Kennel Club breed with
the official description of
“barkless dog”?**

50:50



A. Briard

C. Bouvier

B. Basenji

D. Borzoi



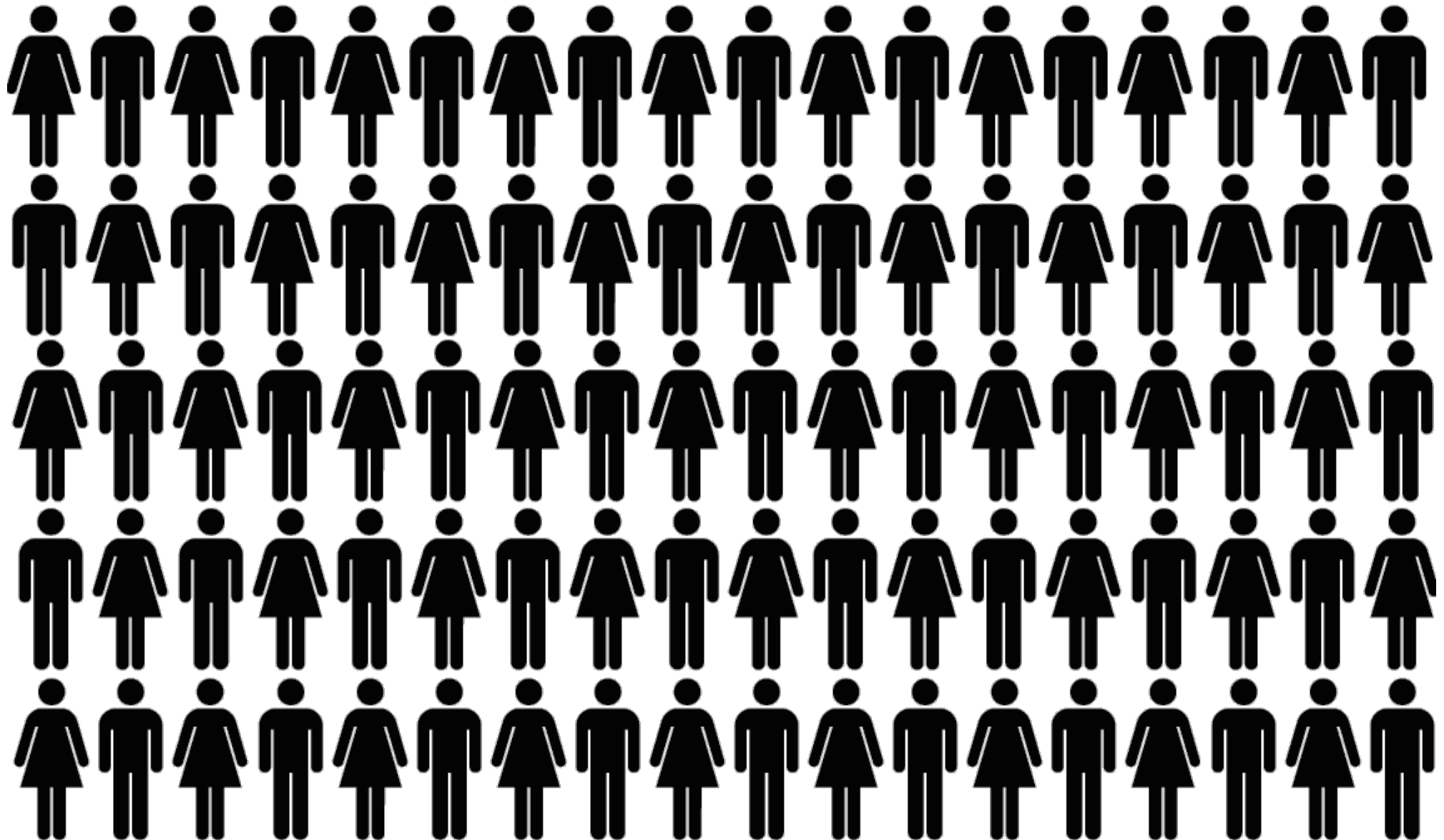
IF: show histogram on
first vote



THEN: 30% more likely
to change to most
common response.

Switching

Perez 2012



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When does showing
the histogram *not*
matter?



Gert's Moral Rules

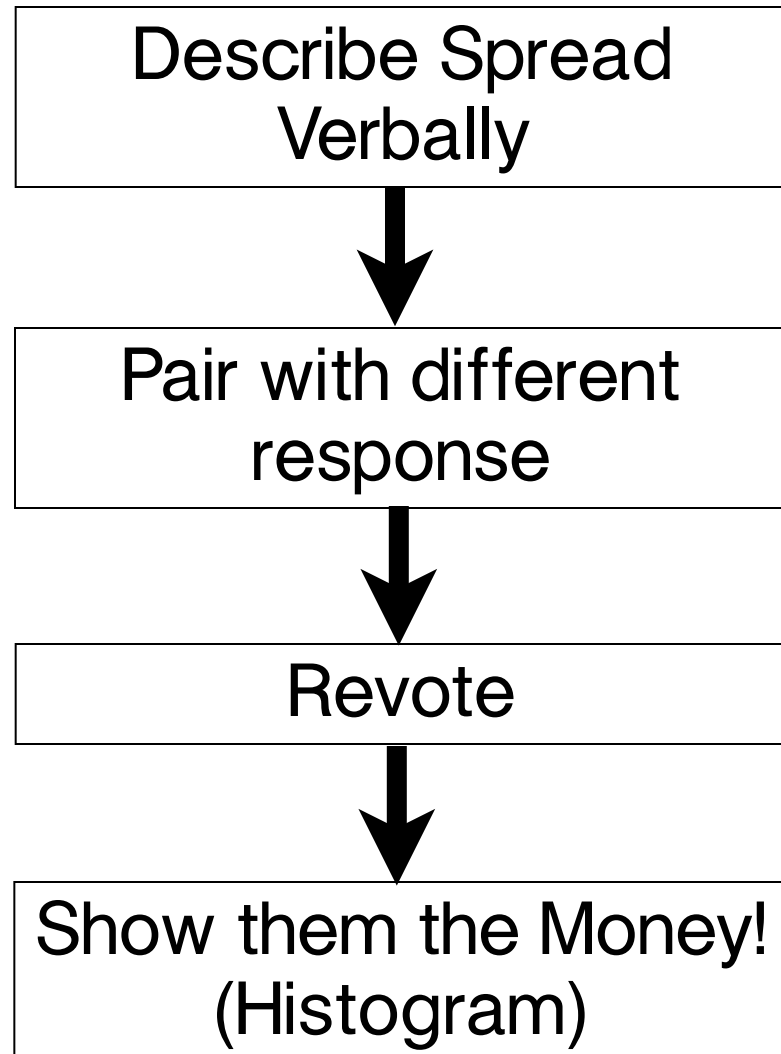
1. Do not kill.
2. Do not cause pain.
3. Do not disable.
4. Do not deprive of freedom.
5. Do not deprive of pleasure.
6. Do not deceive.
7. Keep your promises
8. Do not cheat.
9. Obey the law.
10. Do your duty.

Heinz's wife was near death, and her only hope was a drug that had been discovered by a pharmacist who was selling it for an exorbitant price. The drug cost \$20,000 to make, and the pharmacist was selling it for \$200,000. Heinz could only raise \$50,000 and insurance wouldn't make up the difference. He offered what he had to the pharmacist, and when his offer was rejected, Heinz said he would pay the rest later. Still the pharmacist refused. In desperation, Heinz broke into the store and stole the drug.

Should Heinz have broken into the store to steal the drug for his wife?

- 1. Yes**
- 2. No**

Showing Histograms: Best Practices





2

To Vote or Not to
Vote? That is the
Question.

When using clickers,
should you have
students vote first,
before turning to their
neighbor?

- 1. Yes**
- 2. No**
- 3. Doesn't matter**

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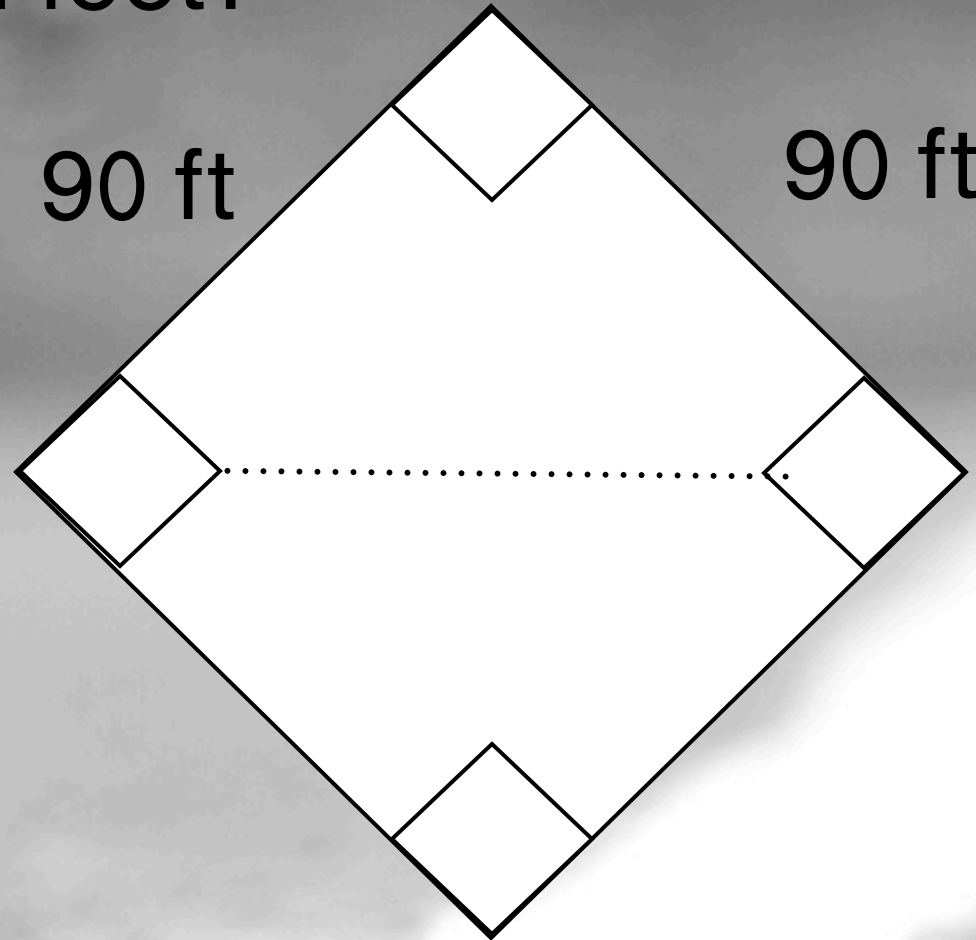
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- 3. 130 ft**
- 4. 180 ft**

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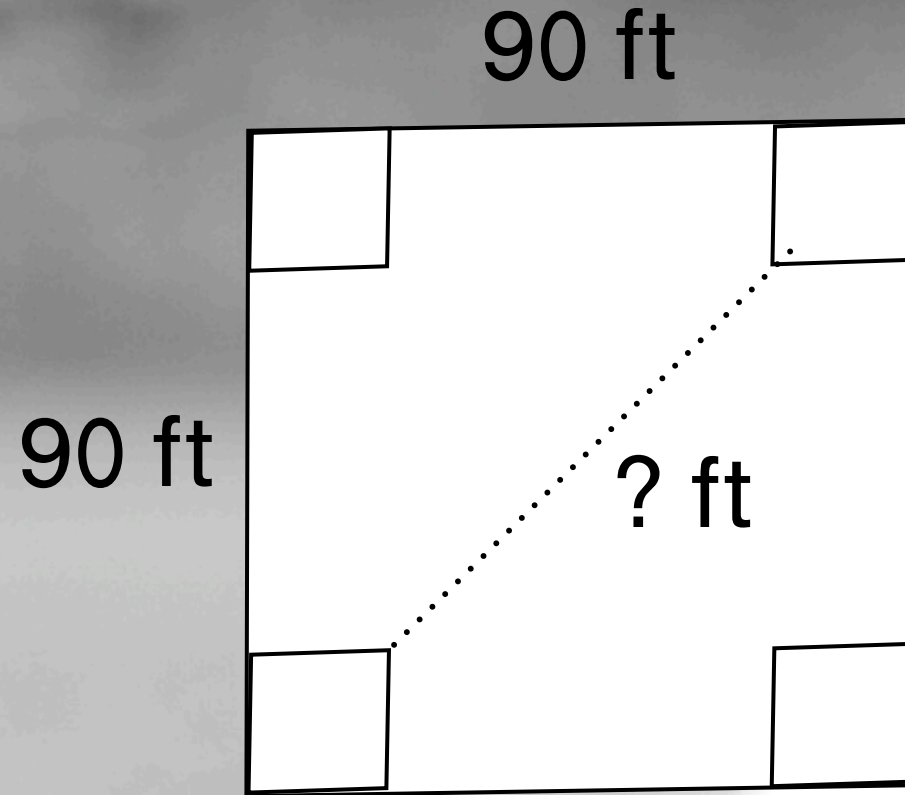


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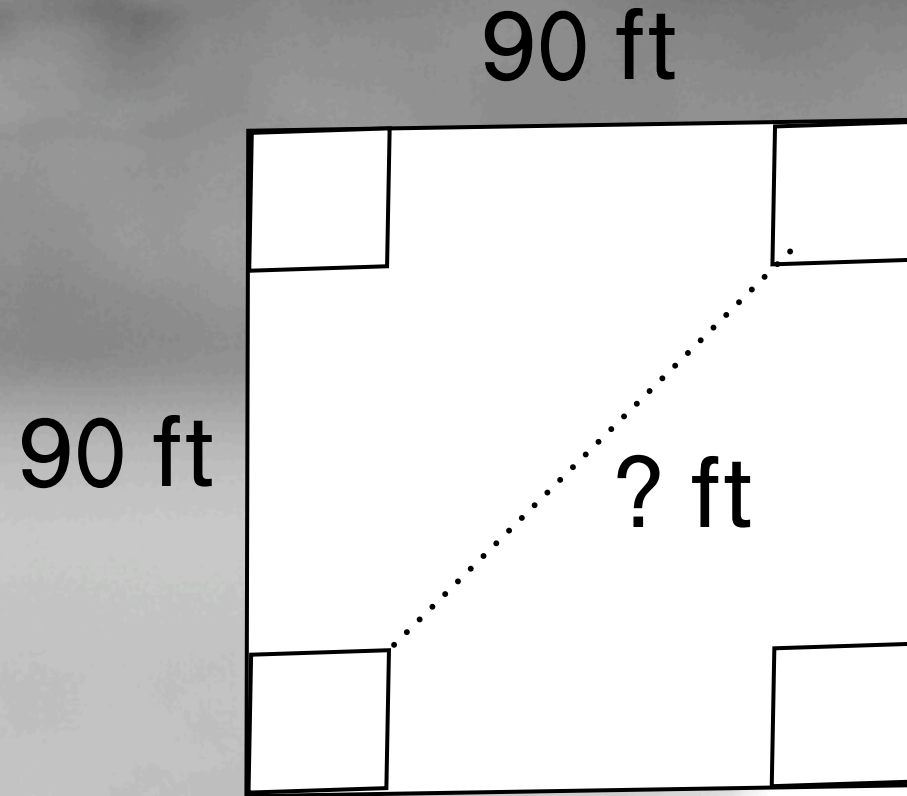
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$$a^2 + b^2 = c^2$$

82% students prefer
opportunity for
individual vote.

Prefer 1st Vote

Nicol & Boyle, 2003

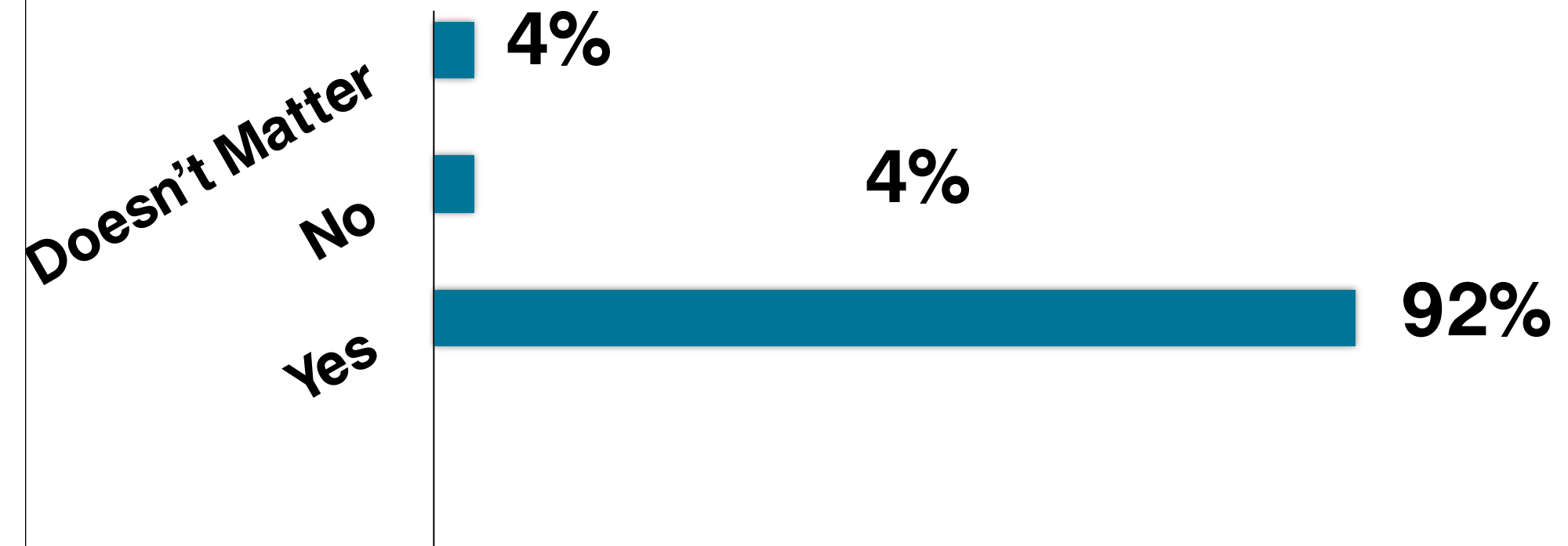


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Should have individual vote?



Turn to Your Neighbor Poll, n=73

1 Tip

Find a Mentor



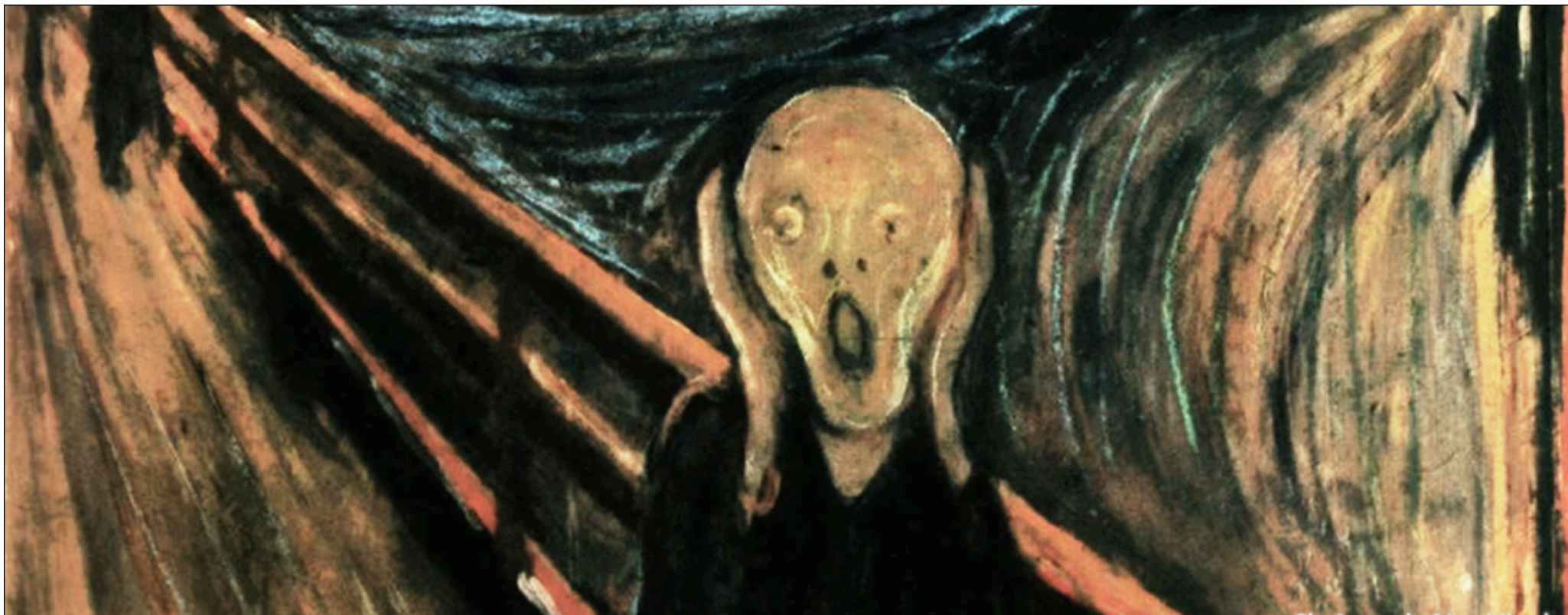
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