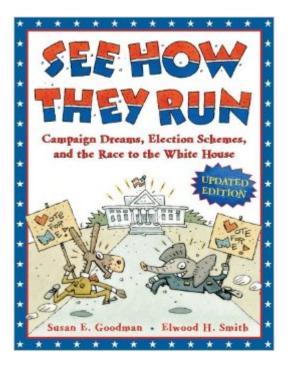
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See How They Run: Campaign Dreams, Election Schemes, And The Race To The White House





Synopsis

Presidential elections are big news-in the media, in classrooms, in Iowa and New Hampshire! But do you really know how the whole process works? For the home, for the classroom, for kids and adults, this is the one book every reader (and future voter) should have to understand our country's most important decision making process.

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With See How They Run: Campaign Dreams, Election Schemes, and the Race to the White House, Susan E. Goodman has again proved that a sometimes unsavory subject can be treated with humor and wonder. As in The Truth About Poop and its companion Gee Whiz! It's All About Pee, Goodman turns her inquisitive nature and journalistic pursuit of truth into a fascinating investigation, explanation and exhortation for young people, encouraging them to take part in the fabulous, fallible democracy they've been born into. Elwood H. Smith makes excellent use of his illustrative opportunities to impart ideas both jovial and informative, sometimes clarifying the sophisticated ideas in the text, other times making jokes that the average middle-schooler will certainly get. This fascinating history, explanation and guide captivates adult minds also. How well can you explain the electoral college system, or why it exists in the first place? Goodman is committed to a view of our leaders as imperfect mortal humans, not the demigods many children's biographers make them out to be. Jefferson is outed as a negative propagandist; Harrison's foolish two hour inaugural speech during a snowstorm resulted in his lethal pneumonia. From detailing who was accorded the right to vote and when, through campaign fundraising and mudslinging, to elections of mules by an uninformed populace, Goodman makes a complex subject both alluring and accessible. Inspiring stories of what kids have done to influence politics are interwoven with fascinating anecdotes about the (so far only) men who have run for president, and those committed to helping them win.

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