ACTIVITY 1.1: How Should We Decide?
Which of these decision-making models would work best in the following scenarios?

**AUTOCRATIC**: one person decides for the group

**DEMOCRATIC**: everyone has a say or vote, but the final decision is determined by what is most popular

**CONSENSUS**: group members discuss options and all must come to an agreement to support a decision in the best interests of the entire group

a) You have been assigned to a team to complete a group science project. The group must build a bridge out of popsicle sticks. Each member will be evaluated on their participation.

b) Your school is organizing a fundraiser on Halloween. A decision needs to be made about which charity will receive the money.

c) The basketball game is tied with time running out in the fourth quarter. The team only has seconds to decide the next play.

d) It is movie night with your family and you need to figure out what to watch. Luckily, there are many good choices.

e) A new play structure is being built at the local park and the features need to be determined.

f) You are buying poster board for group work at school. The store has two colours to choose from and a decision must be made quickly because the store is closing.

**DEBRIEF:**
What are the strengths and limitations of each decision-making model?

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