

## **DO THEY QUALIFY?** ACTIVITY

The United States Constitution lists three qualifications that an individual must meet before they can run for the presidency. Research the people listed below to determine if they meet the constitutional qualifications to run for president. Assume that all applicable individuals have resided in the United States for fourteen years.

	Name	Age	Birthplace	Occupation	Does this person qualify?	Why or Why not?
	Elise Stefanik	31	America	Current member of the U.S. House of Representatives.	Yes No	
18	Peyton Manning	39	America	Football Player	Yes No	
	Nathan Deal	73	America	Current Governor of Georgia	Yes No	
6	Taylor Swift	25	America	Musical Artist	Yes No	



Chris Hemsworth	32	Australia	Actor	Yes No	
Oprah Winfrey	61	America	Entertainer	Yes No	
Patrick Murphy	32	America	Current member of the U.S. House of Representatives	Yes No	
Will Smith	47	America	Actor/ Musical Artist	Yes No	
Liam Payne	22	United Kingdom	Musical Artist	Yes No	
Ted Cruz	44	Canada	Current U.S. Senator	Yes No	





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## **Teacher's Answer Key**

	Name	Age	Birthplace	Occupation	Does this person qualify?	Why or Why not?
	Elise Stefanik	31	America	Current member of the U.S. House of Representatives.	Yes	An individual must be at least 35 years old to run for president. Elise Stefanik does not meet the age requirement.
18	Peyton Manning	39	America	Football Player	Yes	Peyton Manning meets all of the constitutional requirements. Teachers may want to point out that he may not meet any unwritten qualifications such as government experience or military service.
	Nathan Deal	73	America	Current Governor of Georgia	Yes	Nathan Deal meets all of the constitutional requirements. Teachers should point out that he also meets some unwritten qualifications such as government experience and military service.
000	Taylor Swift	25	America	Musical Artist	Yes	An individual must be at least 35 years old in order to run for president. Taylor Swift does not meet the age requirement.



Chris Hemsworth	32	Australia	Actor	Yes	An individual must be at least 35 years old and a natural born citizen in order to run for president. Chris Hemsworth meets neither of these requirements.
Oprah Winfrey	61	America	Entertainer	Yes	Oprah Winfrey meets all of the constitutional requirements. Teachers may want to point out that she may not meet many unwritten qualifications such as government experience or military service.
Patrick Murphy	32	America	Current member of the U.S. House of Representatives	Yes	An individual must be at least 35 years old in order to run for president. Patrick Murphy does not meet the age requirement.
Will Smith	47	America	Actor/ Musical Artist	Yes	Will Smith meets all of the constitutional requirements. Teachers may want to point out that he may not meet many unwritten qualifications such as government experience or military service.
Liam Payne	22	United Kingdom	Musical Artist	Yes	An individual must be at least 35 years old and a natural born citizen in order to run for president. Liam Payne meets neither of these requirements.
Ted Cruz	44	Canada	Current U.S. Senator	Yes	Although Ted Cruz was born in Canada, his mother was an American citizen. Therefore, he is considered to be a natural born citizen and meets all of the constitutional requirements to run for president.

