

# Take Me To Your Leader

## Teacher Overview

A group of aliens has been sent to Earth as part of a leadership training seminar. The six creatures are competing to be named the new Chief of Exploration of Zoargut. Each is charged with investigating and reporting on the immensely popular Earth substance “candy.” Students, serving as advisors to the High Council of Zoargut, will rate the quality of thinking exhibited in each alien’s report using Bloom’s Taxonomy.

In Phase One, students prepare themselves for their roles as advisors by learning about the different levels of thinking. They will work in teams to place descriptions of the levels of Bloom’s Taxonomy in order from basic to complex. As a class, discuss how each team arranged the cards. Understanding the correct progression is essential for the second part of the activity.

In Phase Two, students rank the six reports based on the level of thinking exhibited in each. There will be plenty of room for debate. Groups should justify their rankings. This will help students develop a much deeper understanding of the various levels of Bloom’s Taxonomy.

## Options & Tips

- Groups of 3 or 4 students work well for this activity.
- If students are completely unfamiliar with Bloom’s Taxonomy, you may want to allow two sessions for this activity.
- Both small group and full-class discussion are critical components of **Take Me To Your Leader**.
- You can extend the concepts in this activity by encouraging students to determine the level of thinking required on various classroom assignments and activities.

**Note:** The order of the Bloom’s cards and the reports are scrambled so students don’t base their ranking decisions on page numbers.

Most High Poobah,

I now know exactly what the substance called candy is. By using candy wrappers, a dictionary and chemistry textbooks, I have compiled a list of ingredients used to create candy. Basically it is a sweet food made from sugar or syrup. It can include ingredients such as chocolate, nuts, and fruit. I found it also frequently included a number of chemicals and preservatives.

**Earnat**



Most High Poobah,

I have carefully studied and consumed a wide variety of candies. I have tracked human consumption patterns, likes and dislikes. Using all that information, I have developed and tested my own candy formulas on human subjects. My formulas have proven quite successful. Earthlings would rather eat my candy than watch TV, play, sleep, or be with their loved ones!

**Perdi**

