Duck for President

From the Creators of
CLICK, CLACK, MOO: COWS THAT TYPE

and

GIGGLE, GIGGLE, QUACK

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VOTE FOR DUCK ...

...your vote counts!

✓ Have you ever voted? What did you vote for?

✓ Have you ever been to a polling station—the special place where votes are cast? Where is the polling station closest to you? Ask your parents whether you can go with them to vote in the next election.

✓ Take a vote about *Duck for President*. Would this book win an election for “Funniest Book of the Year”? Ask your friends to vote Yes or No.

✓ If you were running for President, how would you do it? What would you say in your speech?

✓ Do you know the name of the President of the United States? How about the governor of your state? Which other elected officials do you know the names of?

✓ What election would you most like to win?
Did You Know...

Fun facts about the Presidents of the United States

GEORGE WASHINGTON loved cream of peanut soup.

JOHN ADAMS and his wife Abigail were the first presidential couple to live at the White House – even though it wasn’t completely finished at the time.

JAMES MADISON’s friends called him "Jemmie."

ANDREW JACKSON was the first president to ride on a railroad train.

JAMES POLK was the first president in office to have his photo taken.

JAMES BUCHANAN threw parties at the White House where he served sauerkraut and mashed potatoes.

ABRAHAM LINCOLN grew a beard because a little girl wrote him a letter telling him that he would look more handsome with a beard.

ULYSSES S. GRANT’s favorite breakfast was a cucumber soaked in vinegar—a pickle.

JAMES GARFIELD was the first left-handed president.

President WILLIAM MCKINLEY always wore a red carnation in his lapel for good luck.

THEODORE ROOSEVELT was the first president to ride in a car and to ride in an airplane. He had a guinea pig named Father O’Grady and a snake named Emily Spinach.

JIMMY CARTER’s daughter, Amy, was nine years old when her father became president. A tree-house was built for her on the White House grounds.

GEORGE W. BUSH, son of GEORGE H. W. BUSH, was the second president to follow in his father’s footsteps. The other presidents were John Adams and his son John Quincy Adams.
ACROSS:
1. Voting takes place on Election ______.
4. Duck runs for the office of ___________.
5. Duck visited small-town diners, marched in parades, went to town meetings and gave ________.
8. The Governor demanded a _______.
9. The illustrator of the Duck for President book is ______ ______.
10. Who is officially in charge?
11. Farmer ______

DOWN:
1. The author of the Duck for President book is ______ ______.
2. Duck is covered in tiny bits of grass and espresso ______.
3. President is the __________ office in the land.
4. What animals are responsible for cleaning under the beds?
6. The two sticky lost ballets were found stuck to the bottom of a plate of ________.
7. Running the ______ is very hard work.
Help Duck write the next chapter of his autobiography . . .
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"Vote for Duck. He’s no featherweight."
—BETSY LEWIN

"Cast your vote, change the world."
—DOREEN CRONIN