



Book Fair Setup

DECISION MAKING · TWO COLUMNS

Derek sorts books at the book fair table near the checkout basket. The librarian wants the price card finished for the joke-book stack. A class waits in line, and the checkout helper cannot start yet. Derek finds the card under a pile of shiny bookmarks. The marker is with the stamp pad, and the tape roll is empty. Some choices help the table open, but some only make clutter.

Sort Derek's choices into the two columns.

WORKS	DOESN'T WORK

- 1. Ask the librarian for the joke-book price. → Works
- 2. Use the marker from beside the stamp pad. → Works
- 3. Place the finished card by the joke-book stack. → Works
- 4. Sort every bookmark by color first. → Doesn't Work
- 5. Start a new poster for the whole fair. → Doesn't Work
- 6. Move the shiny bookmarks into a taller pile. → Doesn't Work

Think about it: Which choice would let the checkout helper start soonest, and why?

TEACHER NOTE

Correct sorting: Works—ask the librarian for the price, use the marker, and place the finished card by the joke-book stack. Doesn't Work—sort bookmarks, start a new poster, or make a taller bookmark pile. A strong response focuses on the unfinished price card, since the checkout helper is waiting for that part.

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