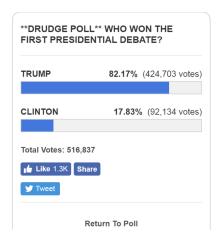# Class Activity

On a scale of $1 - 10$, 1 being the lowest and 10 being the highest, how much would you trust the result of the following poll. Explain your reasoning.

The following is a poll taken from http://drudgereport.com shortly after the first 2016 Presidential debate. This is a website is a politically conservative American news aggregation website.

What do you think about this poll?

The Athletic, a subscription based credible newspaper outlet has subscribers from all around the world. It created a poll before the start of men's soccer world cup in Qatar in 2022. More than 2,000 people participated in the survey and 43% of people responded that England would be the biggest disappointment in the tournament.

Everything depends on how you say it.

Recently, the issue of the legalization of marijuana has been appearing on more state ballots. In April 2018, a Quinnipiac University poll asked two questions about legal marijuana use. Here are the two questions:

Do you think that the use of marijuana should be made legal in the United States, or not?

Do you support or oppose allowing adults to legally use marijuana for medical purposes if their doctor prescribes it?

One of these questions drew 63% saying that marijuana use is okay; the other drew 93% with the same response. Which wording produced the higher percentage? Why?

On a scale of $1 - 10$, 1 being the lowest and 10 being the highest, how much would you trust the result of the following poll. Explain your reasoning.

This poll was conducted by *The Spectator Index* on social media platform *Twitter* which has 2.5 million followers. It identifies itself as media and news company and covers politics, economics, science, technology and sport. People regard *The Spectator Index* as a credible *Twitter* account.

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| Bill Gates | 49.5% |
| **Elon Musk** | **50.5%** |

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It is commonly believed that "Hollywood ruins books." When you go to watch a movie based on a novel, the movie is never as good as a book. Examples: Enders Game -amazing book, terrible movie; Northern Lights - amazing book, awful movie; and so on. Hollywood takes good books and just makes them into bad movies, maybe a good book equals a bad movie. Especially when you think about actually there are some books that aren't quite so good, that do make good films, like Bridget Jones's Diary.

Using analogous idea to the class lecture, explain if this is actually the way, or if it appears to be this way. You can use the plot below to get started.