

Would rather and Would prefer

Read the conversation. Is Kate in favor of donating to charities? Why or Why not?

Kate: I think we should get more involved in campaigning for social justice and equality.

Josh: Do you mean donating money to charity or something?

Kate: No, not really. I'd rather we didn't just donate money. I'd rather we took some positive action ourselves instead. You know, like collecting clothing for the homeless, or starting a food bank.

Josh: So does that mean you'd rather not work through a charity?

Kate: Yes, I think I'd prefer not to do that. I'd rather get directly involved and start our own campaign.

Josh: Yes, I'd prefer to do that, too. I think most people would prefer charities to organize campaigns, but it would be cool to start our own!

Complete the table with examples from the text.

Function	Form	Example
Express the subject's preference about their own actions.	Would rather (not) + base form.	(1) _____ (2) _____
	Would prefer (not) + infinitive	(3) _____ (4) _____
Express a preference about the actions of the subject and someone else, or someone else alone.	Would rather + subject + (negative) base form in past tense.	(5) _____ (6) _____
	Would prefer + object + (not) + infinitive	(7) _____

Practice

Choose the correct options to complete the sentences.

1. I'd rather *start* / *to start* my own campaign
2. I'd prefer *get* / *to get* involved directly
3. They prefer us *donate* / *to donate* money to a charity.
4. We'd rather they *didn't organize* / *not organized* the campaign
5. You'd prefer *not to work* / *not work* for a charity
6. I'd rather *didn't raise* / *not raise* money on my own.

Now you do it

Your school is planning a charity event. Discuss what kind of event would be most effective and easy to organize. Say which ones you would prefer to do and why.

Fashion show	Charity run	Bake sale	Clothing drive	Basketball game
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Video

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=575WSpvPWNl>

What do you prefer or would rather do?

Go to: <https://www.signupgenius.com/groups/would-you-rather.cfm>

Pick three questions to ask your classmates.

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

Write three answers you gave to your partners questions.

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.