

# OVERPOPULATION DISCUSSION

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

- 1) What springs to mind when you hear the word 'overpopulation'?
- 2) What are the causes of overpopulation?
- 3) What problems does overpopulation create?
- 4) What can governments do to deal with overpopulation?
- 5) Is there a single action the world can take to reduce overpopulation?
- 6) When did overpopulation start to be a problem?
- 7) Is underpopulation a problem?
- 8) Who does overpopulation affect most?
- 9) Do you think the problem of overpopulation will become bigger or smaller?
- 10) Are there any positive things about overpopulation?

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STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

- 1) Is overpopulation a problem in your town or country?
- 2) Do natural disasters reduce overpopulation?
- 3) Are the problems of overpopulation different in the developed and developing worlds?
- 4) How big a threat to the planet is overpopulation?
- 5) Does religion have a part to play in reducing overpopulation?
- 6) Do you think the Earth might be so overpopulated one day that there'll be no more space for us?
- 7) Do you think there should be a limit on the number of children couples can have in countries with overpopulation?
- 8) Do you think scientists should stop inventing new medicines to stop overpopulation?
- 9) Should infertility research and treatments — including surrogacy — be continued?
- 10) Is overpopulation a problem for poor or rich people?

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