

VIOLENCE DISCUSSION

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

- 1) What springs to mind when you hear the word 'violence'?
- 2) How often do you see violence in your country?
- 3) What makes people violent?
- 4) Is there a cure for violence?
- 5) Do you think there's too much violence on TV and in video games?
- 6) Do you think humans will ever be nonviolent?
- 7) Do you think men or women like violence more? Why do you think so?
- 8) Why are the words 'sex' and 'violence' so often used together in the phrase 'sex and violence'?
- 9) Sam Peckinpah said: "There is a great streak of violence in every human being. If it is not channeled and understood, it will break out in war or in madness." Do you agree?
- 10) Martin Luther King, Jr. said: "Nonviolence means avoiding not only external physical violence but also internal violence of spirit. You not only refuse to shoot a man, but you refuse to hate him. Do you agree?"

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

- 1) Do you enjoy watching violence in real life or in the movies?
- 2) How big a problem is domestic violence in your country?
- 3) Does violence ever achieve anything?
- 4) Have you ever resorted to violence?
- 5) Is violent crime on the increase in your countries?
- 6) Do people learn to be violent?
- 7) Is there much ethnic violence in your country?
- 8) Do you think countries can be violent?
- 9) Gandhi said: "Victory attained by violence is tantamount to a defeat, for it is momentary." Do you agree?
- 10) Madge Micheels-Cyrus said: "Nonviolence doesn't always work - but violence never does." Do you agree?

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