

# CHINA EARTHQUAKE DISCUSSION

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

- 1) Where were you when you first heard the news of the China Earthquake?
- 2) Have you made a donation to help the people affected by the quake?
- 3) What do you think of the response from the Chinese government?
- 4) What do you think life is like for those in the quake-affected areas?
- 5) What lasting images do you have from what you have seen on TV, the Internet or in newspapers?
- 6) What do you think of the international response to the earthquake?
- 7) How would you compare how authorities have dealt with this natural disaster to how Burma's leaders reacted after the cyclone?
- 8) What do you think can be done to prevent the loss of life in earthquakes?
- 9) Do you think the builders of the schools that crumbled in the quake will be in trouble?
- 10) Have you followed this news story a lot?

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

- 1) What's the latest news you've heard about the earthquake victims?
- 2) Which news stations / newspapers / Internet sites have best covered this story?
- 3) What would you do if you were a journalist in the quake-affected areas?
- 4) What would happen to your town if an earthquake hit it?
- 5) What do you know about the Richter Scale and how powerful each magnitude is in an earthquake?
- 6) How do you think those without homes will live over the next three years while the authorities rebuild their towns?
- 7) Did you agree with the Olympic torch relay being stopped for 3 days?
- 8) Has your opinion of China changed in any way following the quake?
- 9) What questions would you like to ask survivors of the earthquake?
- 10) Did you like this discussion?

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