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Stem Cell Character Groups: Pre-Project Work

DUE DATE\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. Please go to the website [www.stemcellcontroversy.weebly.com](http://www.stemcellcontroversy.weebly.com). Look over the website……click through the buttons on the website, get an overall feel for the website and how it operates.
\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Yes I did! (Sign here when done)
2. **Click on the button “Role Playing Activity”.** Read over the activity your teacher has chosen for the class to complete. Circle which one the class will be doing:

a) Commercial Activity
b) Public Hearing Activity

Read over the instructions for the activity.
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1. **Click the button “Role Playing Characters”**. Read each character profile. It is important to become familiar with each as you will be “role-playing” one of these character’s perspectives for your project.

For each character, please briefly describe each character’s situation:

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| Character | Brief description of the character/situation |
| Dr. Sally Cellago and scientists |  |
| Michael K. Knox and family |  |
| Inita Organ’s Medical Research team |  |
| Brian Ethics and Religious leaders panel |  |
| Wynter Totsicle and her Family |  |
| Mr. and Mrs. Partisan |  |
| Mr. and Mrs. Ivyeffer |  |

1. Since the topic of embryonic stem cell research is both a sensitive and controversial one, we want to make sure that we respect all points of view on this subject. The goal is to have our class represent all of the characters listed above….
2. Which character profile would be your first choice?\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
3. Second Choice\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
4. Third choice \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Why did you pick these? Explain:

1. Please let me know if you already express strong opinions about this topic due to your own personal feelings and beliefs: IF SO, Would you feel more comfortable representing a **pro-embryonic stem cell research side**, a **con- embryonic stem cell research side, (or would you feel fine doing either since you do not yet have an opinion either way)**

Explain:

1. Remember, your commercial **will not be** from your own personal perspective, but rather from the perspective of the character role your group is in. You will be “role playing and acting”

Is there any group that you **WOULD NOT** be able to make a commercial for? Explain:

*I will try to honor your personal choices as best I can, but in order to see this from all possible perspectives, all sides will be represented. If at any time you feel uncomfortable with the position of your character or commercial, arrangements can be made to switch you into another group.*