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Anastasio

Civics, Period _____

Who Decides?

Public – Group of people in the public determine if an event occurs.

Example: A family moved into an apartment complex and their teenage children are causing problems in the complex. All the apartment residents sign a petition that they do not want this family to continue to live in the complex and they give it to the apartment manager. The manager then forces the family to move.

Market – The free economic market determines if an event occurs.

Example: Fuel efficient cars are being sold, so the automakers make cars that are fuel efficient.

Individual – Each person makes a choice for themselves.

Example: Each person decides whether to wear a bike helmet or not.

Regulated by law - Should there be a law? If so, what would the law be?

NAME _____
CITIZENSHIP-Ethical/Moral Questions, PER. _____
DATE _____

Read through each of the 3 articles you have been given. Discuss as a group and do the following for each topic:

TOPIC#1 Reproductive Cloning

Briefly, summarize the topic:

Next, list three arguments for each:

PRO (support)

CON (oppose)

1.

1.

2.

2.

3.

3.

What is the "general opinion" of your group regarding this topic? (PRO? CON?)

WHO DECIDES? Public/market/individual or Government/politicians/law makers?

As a group decide through discussion who should make the final decision regarding this topic? Should the public/market/individual, or should the government/politicians/law makers make the decisions?

Give reasons for your choice.

TOPIC#2 Euthanasia

Briefly, summarize the topic:

Next, list three arguments for each:

PRO (support)

CON (oppose)

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1.

2.

2.

3.

3.

What is the "general opinion" of your group regarding this topic? (PRO? CON?)

WHO DECIDES? Public/market/individual or Government/politicians/law makers?

Give reasons for your choice.

TOPIC#3 Designer Babies

Briefly, summarize the topic:

Next, list three arguments for each:

PRO (support)

CON (oppose)

1.

1.

2.

2.

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3.

What is the "general opinion" of your group regarding this topic? (PRO? CON?)

WHO DECIDES? Public/market/individual or Government/politicians/law makers?
Give reasons for your choice.

BASED ON DISCUSSIONS ON ALL three TOPICS, generally speaking "WHO SHOULD DECIDE?"

COMMENT: Does this surprise you? Explain why or why not.

CONCLUSION: Write approximately 2 to 3 sentences for each.

1. What have you learned about how you and others make ethical/moral decisions?

2. What "litmus" test was used by you and others to make decisions?

3. What surprised/didn't surprise you about this discussion?