

THE CRITICS' CHOICE

Activity Four From a different view

Instructions

1. The statements below can be used as stimuli for role plays, written responses, class discussion, posters or monologues.
2. Select an approach that would most likely engage your students. For example, select volunteers to act out a monologue of self-talk about the issue. Students can justify their views, share their responses, take a stance, problem solve or argue in favour or against the issue.

Statements

- "My parents smoke and I don't want to breathe in secondhand smoke."
- "I need my parents to babysit my child at their home one day per week so that I can go to work, but they're both smokers and I don't want my baby to be exposed to cigarettes."
- "Smoking during my pregnancy will result in a smaller baby and therefore less painful birth."
- "I love my girlfriend, but she smokes and has constant bad breath."
- "I can't afford both, so I'd rather spend money on my cigarettes than on fresh foods."
- "It's too hard to quit smoking because all my close friends smoke."
- "I don't want to quit smoking because it relaxes me."
- "I have the right to be at the playground with my kids without us having to breathe in secondhand smoke."
- "My older brother smokes in the car when he drives me to soccer."
- "My family comes from a culture of smokers, so I think it's normal."