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Reproductive freedom: rights, responsibilities and choice

Questions to stimulate reflection

Do you think that everyone has the right to found a family? If so, does this confer negative or positive duties (or both) on governments?

If you don't think everyone has a right to found a family, who do you think should be prevented from having children? How would you prevent fertile people in these categories from having children? How would you prevent rich infertile people in these categories travelling abroad for ART?

Do you think that there are moral as well as legal rights?

Governments do prevent certain people from adopting children. Is there a moral difference between this and preventing such people from having their own child?

Should governments help women over 60 have children? If not, isn't this unfair given that men over 60 can have children?

Given that governments could spend the whole GDP on fertility treatment how should governments allocate funding for this purpose?

Can you list the different ways in which governments might allow for the right of a child to a decent childhood consistently with recognising adults' rights to found a family?

People often say they think 'postcode lotteries' are unfair. Imagine playing devil's advocate and say how you would argue against this.