

Sample Research Questions

“Is it right for scientists to create new **life forms**? (Bioethics)”

“Is it right to eat **animals**?”

“Do **religious minorities** offer diversity or threaten security?”

“What’s the solution to **terrorism**?”

“Is the **death penalty** effective and moral?”

“How do **hate crimes** and **freedom of expression** differ?”

“What are the causes and solutions to **eating disorders**?”

“Does the media’s **images** of **women** promote violence?”

“Are there basic **human rights** all people deserve?”

“How can we decrease **youth violence**?”

“Does **welfare** help or hurt families? What should be done?”

“Does **youth music** negatively influence teenagers?”

“Are teenagers victims of **age discrimination**?”

“What should be done about **child labor** in other countries?”

“Is day care a form of **child neglect**?”

“What should be the purpose of **public schools**?”

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