

HISTORY DISCUSSION

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

- 1) Is history important to you?
- 2) Did you like studying history at school?
- 3) What period of history interests you most?
- 4) What do you think of the recent history of your country – the past fifty years?
- 5) What do you know about the early history of your country?
- 6) What do you think of the overall history of your country?
- 7) Do you think history repeats itself?
- 8) What period of history would you like to go back and live in?
- 9) Napoleon Bonaparte said "History is a set of lies agreed upon". Do you agree with this?
- 10) "Half of writing history is hiding the truth." What do you think of this quote in relation to what was in your school history books?

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STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

- 1) Why do people like history?
- 2) What do you know about your family history?
- 3) Is there a history of illness in your family?
- 4) Would you like to be a historian?
- 5) In his book 1984, George Orwell says: "He who controls the past, controls the future; and he who controls the present, controls the past." Do you agree? Does this apply to countries today?
- 6) Which people in the world have a troubled history?
- 7) Do you think history comes back to haunt us?
- 8) Does your country have a proud or violent history?
- 9) How would the world change if schools stopped teaching history to children and all history books were destroyed?
- 10) Sir Winston Churchill said: "Those that fail to learn from history, are doomed to repeat it." Do you agree with him?

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