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Class Preparation
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Define the following ethical terms:

1. Values- basic and fundamental beliefs that guide or motivate attitudes or actions
2. Morals- of or relating to the judgment of right and wrong in human behavior
3. Autonomy- a person's capacity to adequately self-govern their beliefs and actions.
4. Nonmaleficence- the avoidance or minimization of harm
5. Beneficence- an act of charity, mercy, and kindness with a strong connotation of doing good to others including moral obligation
6. Justice- fairness or an equal distribution of benefits
7. Veracity- the principle of telling the truth

Current Ethical Debates:

CRISPR

CBS This Morning

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Nhe6xYc6E9M> (6.57 minutes)

Do you feel using CRISPR to alter human DNA is ethical? Describe your thoughts in a 1 paragraph.

I feel that it is unethical to use CRISPR to alter human DNA. I don't believe that it is okay to alter the genetic make-up of anyone for any reason. Altering human DNA could cause mutations. There is no way to study the implications of genetic modification 1000 generations from now. Also, insurance companies can use information about a person's DNA, and charge higher premiums to those that cannot afford to remove a breast cancer gene or other genes that may cause disease.

Physician Assisted Suicide

1. Define the following terms:

1. Euthanasia: the process of intentionally ending life to end pain and suffering.

2. Physician-assisted suicide: the practice where a physician provides a terminally ill patient, at their explicit request, with a prescription for a lethal medication that they can take on their own.

2. In what states is physician-assisted suicide legal? 10 US states and DC

Mandated by State Law

Colorado

District of Columbia

Hawaii

Maine

New Jersey

New Mexico

Oregon

Vermont

Washington

Mandated by Court Ruling

Montana

California