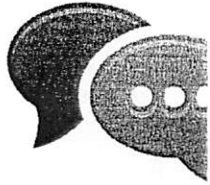# Should adoption information be kept private or made public?

Debating the Issue

1. Get ready...

Pick one of these positions (or create your own).

A It is important to let people have closed adoptions. Forcing birth families and adoptive families to exchange information may cause tension.

B All adoptions should be open. It is wrong to deny people information about their family.

C It is okay to have closed adoptions, but children should have the right to know their birth parents once they turn 18.

D It is okay to have closed adoptions, but adoptive or birth parents should have the right to change to an open adoption when the child turns 18.

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Be a strong participant by using phrases like tl

I believe that...

I agree with you because. . .

You make a good point, but have you considered...

Can you show me evidence in the text that supports what you said?

2. Get set...

Be ready to provide evidence to back up your position during your class discussion or debate. Jot down a few quick notes:

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