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Your group will play the part of the parent. You will be dropping off your two children who you would like to see find spouses to help them survive in the world. You will need to answer questions from the host about your children based upon the reading below.

Your group will need:

1 person to act as the parent

1 person to keep the group on task (you will have 9 minutes to read the

sheet and document your answers.

1 person to act as the recorder writing down your answers.

1 person to create two questions to ask either the potential suitors or your

“children.”

The rest of the group will act as researchers looking for the answers to the host’s questions.

Below are some facts about you and your children. Name: Great Britain

Location: Island located off the Northwest coast of Europe.

Fast Fact: You have control over the largest empire in the history of the world.

Great Britain has been a powerful nation dating back to the 1200’s. In the 1500’s Britain began taking colonies around the world. The colonies made Britain the world’s foremost military power for the last 200 years. Great Britain is also a very moral nation. The Magna Carta written in England in 1215 provided much of the basis for democratic law created in America in 1783. In many ways the Enlightenment began in Great Britain, and England looks at itself as a moral nation.

In 1945 Britain has just finished fighting a very costly war. One of the greatest costs faced by England was that of maintaining its colonies. The days of mercantilism were long gone. A mother country could no longer get rich off its colonies, instead the cost of maintaining the peace in the colonies was now quite prohibitive. Additionally the people of British India began to demonstrate for their independence greatly increasing the cost of maintaining the colony and forcing England to question the morality of keeping several hundred million people as colonial subjects.

England is left with only one choice, to give independence to its former colony. On August 15th 1947, the last British troops will leave India and two new nations will be born. Muslim Pakistan will be created in the northern sections of the Indian subcontinent

and Hindu India will be created in the South. As the former Mother country you can only wish your children well. You hope that you have taught them the lessons of democracy and that they have learned them well as they enter the family of nations.

Questions:

1) What are the two reasons for Britain granting independence to India and Pakistan?

2) What do you think Britain wants to have happen to India and Pakistan now that they are independent?

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Your group will need:

1 person to represent the group on our panel searching for a spouse.

1 person to keep the group on task (you will have 9 minutes to read the

sheet and document your answers.)

1 person to act as the recorder writing down your answers.

1 person to ask create two questions for the potential suitors

The rest of the group will act as researchers looking for the answers to the

host’s questions.

Below are some facts about you Name: India

Location: South Asia

Fast Fact: Once you become independent you will be the world’s largest democracy.

India is an ancient land. Hinduism, the dominant religion of India, is close to

4000 years old. Before the British came in 1700, India was divided into many small

kingdoms. As independence nears, the princes of those states must choose if they wish to join India or our sister state of Pakistan. Pakistan is going to be a new state made up of states with a largely Muslim population in what used to be the northern part of British India.

India will be under the leadership of Jawaharlal Nehru. Nehru was a strong supporter of Gandhi. Like Gandhi, Nehru learned the ways of democracy and the law in England. Nehru plans to make India a true democracy where power will be shared by all people. Nehru will follow Gandhi’s example and he will outlaw the caste system making all Indians equal.

Leading India into independence will not be easy for Nehru. There is much ethnic strife in India. Despite migrations of millions on the eve of independence, India still has a very large Muslim minority. There is much mistrust between the Muslims and the Hindus of India. The British are also leaving India a very poor land. While much of India’s population is literate, there are still millions more living at or below the poverty level. India will need a powerful friend who is ready to invest large sums of money to help out India’s struggling farmers, peasants and people. Externally India has to contend with her sister nation Pakistan whose large Muslim population resents the discrimination suffered by Indian Muslims.

While India has many problems, India also has much to offer a potential suitor. India has the world’s 2nd largest population. India has great wealth in natural resources and India has a long history as a trading nation with well established bankers and markets that trade with the world.

. Question:

1) Why would America want to make India into an ally?

2) Why would the Soviet Union want to make India into an ally?

3) What could the Soviet Union offer India?

4) What could the USA offer India?

5) What is your country’s biggest problem?

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Your group will need:

1 person to report your group’s findings as a member of the panel

1 person to keep the group on task (you will have 9 minutes to read the sheet and document your answers.)

1 person to act as the recorder writing down your answers.

1 person to come up with two questions that you can ask your potential

suitors.

Below are some facts about you Name: Pakistan

Location: South Asia

Fast Fact: In 1947 at Independence Pakistan was split into two halves, the more populous

East Pakistan and the more developed West Pakistan.

Pakistan is an ancient land. Islam is the dominant religion of Pakistan. Before the British came in 1700 the states that make up Pakistan were once the heart of the Mughal Empire. Since the arrival of Islam in South Asia in 1400 there has been rivalry between the Muslims and the Hindus of India. Pakistan is located on the northern part of the Indian subcontinent and is very close to the borders of the Soviet Union.

Pakistan is under the leadership of Muhammad Ali Jinnah. Jinnah is a strong leader who has campaigned hard for the partition of India and the establishment of an independent Muslim state. Unfortunately Jinnah will die shortly after independence and Pakistan will be denied a strong leader. Jinnah will be replaced by a military government as Pakistan always fears invasion by its larger neighbor to the south, India. India has been discriminating against its Muslim population and Pakistan worries that India will invade Pakistan to wipe out its Muslim population. Because of this fear Pakistan will spend a large portion of its budget on defense to protect against possible invasion.

Pakistan will be faced with many problems other than India. The British are leaving Pakistan a very poor land. Much of Pakistan’s population is literate, however, there are still millions more living at or below the poverty level without basic skills. Pakistan will need a powerful friend who is ready to invest large sums of money to help out the struggling Pakistani farmers, peasants and people.

While Pakistan has many problems, Pakistan also has much to offer a potential suitor. Pakistan has a large population. Pakistan has great wealth in natural resources and Pakistan has a long history as a trading nation with well established bankers and

markets that trade with the world. Pakistan’s location would also make it an attractive cold war ally. As a friend to the USSR they could help protect the Soviets’ southern border from invasions and as an American ally, Pakistan could serve as a base to keep communist advances in check.

Question:

6) Why would America want to make Pakistan into an ally?

7) Why would the Soviet Union want to make Pakistan into an ally?

8) What could the Soviet Union offer Pakistan?

9) What could the USA offer Pakistan?

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Your group will play the part of one of the suitors. You are coming on the show today to find a spouse. You are looking for a spouse who will be a true partner for you.. You will need to answer questions based upon the reading below in order to impress the suitors to win your heart.

Your group will need:

1 person to portray the U.S. on our panel.

1 person to keep the group on task (you will have 9 minutes to read the sheet and document your answers.)

1 person to act as the recorder writing down your answers.

1 person to come up with two questions your panel member can ask the

other contestants.

The rest of the group will act as researchers looking for the answers to the

hosts questions.

Below are some facts about you Name: USA

Location: North America

Fast Fact: Following World War II you and your nation are one of the world’s two

leading superpowers.

The United States never wanted to fight World War II, nor did the US want to fight World War I. Both times the US was dragged into the conflict by circumstances beyond its control. Now the United States is going to make sure it is never dragged into a world conflict again. The American President sees the Soviet Union as a potential threat to the way of life in America. The Soviet Union and its Communist ideology is completely contrary to the way things are done in America, and the Communists are

trying to spread their ways.

The US is going to follow a policy of containment to stop the spread of communist aggression. The US following the Truman Doctrine will seek out allies around the world to stop the spread of Communism. The US will use whatever means necessary to contain communism; guns, money, covert actions, whatever it takes. The US sees communism as the number one threat to world peace and therefore the US will try to stop it at all costs.

The US needs countries located near the Soviet Union as allies to keep the USSR in check. Countries that border the USSR are needed to serve as bases for US troops and spies. The US is looking for partners with large populations and long standing histories of democracy and capitalism. Most importantly the US is looking for partners who are winners. The US wants a partner who no matter the cost, no matter the challenge, no matter the danger, will be standing at the end of the day. The United States wants winners on its side, what they stand for is secondary.

Question:

11) What is Americas goal in world politics?

12) Why is the Soviet Union Americas rival?

13) What does America want in an ally?

14) What can America offer an ally?

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Below are some facts about you Name: USSR

Location: Eurasia

Fast Fact: Following World War II you and your nation are one of the world’s two

leading superpowers.

The Soviet Union never wanted to fight World War II, the USSR was dragged into the conflict by Germany’s aggressive invasion. The Soviet Union has always stood for the peaceful spread of its workers regime. Unfortunately the USSR and Russia before it has been the subject of countless invasions throughout history including the recent destructive invasion of the Nazis. Soviet Premiere Stalin has vowed that the USSR will never be invaded again. To further this end the USSR has set up friendly governments around it’s borders to act as buffers. The USSR supports these satellite states with the latest military technology and economic aid.

Unfortunately for the USSR she has a new rival, the USA. Since the end of World War II the USA has actively attempted to get in the way of the USSR’s support of fellow communists around the world. The USSR is looking to spread its message of a worker’s paradise to needy countries around the world. A perfect friend for the USSR would be a country with a large population of poor people ready for a new life. The USSR and its communist system will offer literacy and prosperity to the people. The USSR will also offer friendly government economic and military support.

All the USSR needs to make a lifelong friend is a commitment that the friend will

not seek attention from the Americans. The Soviets want loyalty in a friend. The USSR does not care about internal religious struggles. In communism there is no religion so religious and ethnic strife goes away. The USSR will help any nation ready for the Communist revolution.

Question:

15) What is the Soviet goal in world politics?

16) Why is America the USSR’s rival?

17) What does the USSR want in an ally?

18) What can the USSR offer an ally?