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### Senior Research Project

*For this project, you will select your own topic to research. Choose one of the topics from the list below and conduct thorough, holistic research about the topic. You will be delving into both sides of the topic and addressing each side, as well as proffering the Catholic Church's stance on the issue, along with the views of society and lastly, yourself. Your final research paper will be a well-written paper ranging from 4-6 pages with at least 6 sources from credible authors.*

*Your paper will follow a non-conventional thesis layout. Each topic sentence will address these questions:*

1. *Introduction to controversial topic*
2. *PRO argument for controversial topic*
3. *CON argument for controversial topic*
4. *The Catholic Church's stance of controversial topic*
5. *Your own stance of controversial topic*
6. *Conclusion to controversial topic*

Abstinence

Adoption from Foreign Countries

International Adoption

Adoption of children by single parents

AIDS epidemic

Airbags

Alternative Medicine

Arts in Public School

Bilingual Education

Alcohol use among teens

Biological warfare

Genetically modified foods

Teen birth control

Body Piercing

Breast implants

Bulimia

Anorexia

Osteoporosis in women

Cell phones in schools

Cell phones and driving

Harmful effects of cell phones

Censorship of books

Censorship of school newspapers

Child abuse

Foster care system

Child labor

Toxic toys (Chinese exports/imports)

Clean Air Act

Coal gasification

Use of the date rape drug

Significance of finding the Dead Sea Scrolls

Depression and teens

Diabetes epidemic

Obesity epidemic

Divorce rate/effects

Domestic violence

High school dropouts vs. graduates (reasons to stay in school)

Child support

Children and television

Death Penalty

Debt relief to third world countries

Driving age

Drug addiction

Prescription drug addiction

Legalization of drugs for medical purposes

Drug testing

Drunk driving

Dyslexia-Sperling

Reasons for electric cars (future)

Electronic privacy

Stem cell research

Equal Rights Amendment

Fast food lawsuits

Freedom of Speech

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Chronic fatigue syndrome

Separation of church and state

Cloning for food use

Computer crime

Identify theft

Corporal punishment

Crop circles

Religious cults

Cybercrime

Gangs

Homosexuals in the military

Global warming

Grandparent visitation rights

Greenhouse effect

Gulf War syndrome

Gun control

Gender differences and learning

Nuclear disarmament

Nuclear waste disposal

Nursing homes

Hand-writing analysis

Hazing

Health care reform

Herbal supplements

Home schooling  
Homeland security  
Adult illiteracy  
Teenage illiteracy  
Reservation system  
Indoor pollution  
Sudden infant syndrome (SIDS)  
Intelligence Quotient (IQ)  
IRS reform  
Immigration  
Internet filters  
Boot camps  
Jury system  
Juvenile justice  
Labor unions  
Land-mines  
Mad cow disease  
Mafia  
Missing children  
Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD)  
Adoption of interracial children  
Affirmative action  
Age discrimination  
Road rage/aggressive driving  
Air pollution  
Alcoholism  
Alternative energy sources  
Alzheimer's disease  
Animal rights  
Anthrax  
Anti-stalking laws  
Arms control  
Fertility treatments  
Euthanasia  
Attention Deficit Disorder  
Acid rain  
National missile defense  
NATO expansion  
National Endowment for the Arts  
National Identification Cards  
Eligibility for athletes (no pass, no play)  
School uniforms  
School violence  
Search and seizure  
Sex discrimination in sports (Title IX)  
Abstinence-only sex education vs. comprehensive sex education  
Sex offender registration  
Sexual harassment  
Sexually transmitted diseases

Single parent families  
Sleep disorders  
Social promotion  
Social Security reform  
Solar energy  
Suicide and antidepressants  
Suicide and teens  
Reasons for suicide  
Doctor-assisted suicide  
Sweatshops and child labor  
Post-traumatic stress disorder  
Effects of stress  
Teens and stress  
Dangers of tanning  
Tanning and skin cancer  
Teen pregnancy  
Effects of smokeless tobacco  
Effects of smoking  
Vaccinations and autism  
Violence in video games  
War crimes and justice  
Water pollution  
Water shortage  
Welfare reform  
West Nile Virus  
Whaling  
Witchcraft  
Women in the armed services  
Women in sports  
War on drugs  
Women and the draft  
Year-round schools  
Zero tolerance  
Sarms and anabolic steroids  
Professional Athletes Doping  
Police brutality  
International Arms Race  
Overmedication of opioids  
The Patriot Act