

brief one

The UK is in danger of becoming increasingly reliant on other countries for its electricity needs, and with ageing power stations, and concerns over climate change, the government feels some difficult decisions need to be made.

You've been appointed to a special government committee which has been set up to consider the merits of building a new generation of nuclear power stations in the UK to cope with increasing demands for energy.

You have 30 minutes in which to discuss the proposal and it is important that in this time every team member's opinions are heard and considered.

At the end of 30 minutes you must decide whether the committee is going to recommend that the government proceeds with plans to build more nuclear power stations, or not.

brief two

In 2005 the UK government introduced a ban on hunting with dogs that effectively outlawed fox hunting. However, several loop holes in the legislation have been found, and opposition to the legislation remains strong from those who favour hunting.

The government has set up a committee, (that's you) to consider whether the legislation is fair and whether it should be repealed, or whether the legislation should be tightened.

You have 30 minutes in which to discuss the proposal and it is important that in this time every team members' opinions are heard and considered.

At the end of 30 minutes you must decide whether the committee is going to recommend that the government repeals the hunting ban, or whether it should tighten up the legislation further (or leave things as they are).