

### ABORTION CASE STUDY – PART III

#### President Bush and Abortion Laws

In March of 2003 the US Senate passed another bill banning partial-birth abortions by a vote of 64-33. The US House of Representatives passed a similar bill on June 4 of 2003 banning partial-birth abortions by a vote of 282 to 139. The two bills are now in conference and being made into a single bill to give to President Bush to sign into law. President Bush has said that he would sign the bill when he receives it.

Summarize in your own words the above paragraph:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

#### Is the U.S. a democracy?

How many students are in this class? \_\_\_\_\_

How many students are against abortion (Answers A and B) ? \_\_\_\_\_ Percentage? \_\_\_\_\_

How many students are in favor of a women’s right to choose (Answers C and D)? \_\_\_\_\_ Percentage? \_\_\_\_\_

What are the similarities and difference between the students’ opinions and the 2000 Gallup Poll? Draw at least 2 conclusions between the country’s statistics and the class’ statistics.

- 1. \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. \_\_\_\_\_

#### Abortion and Democracy

1. Define “democracy” (you may use our class definition if you would like): \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

2. Give two examples from this case study (all three parts!) that makes the U.S. seem like a **democracy**?

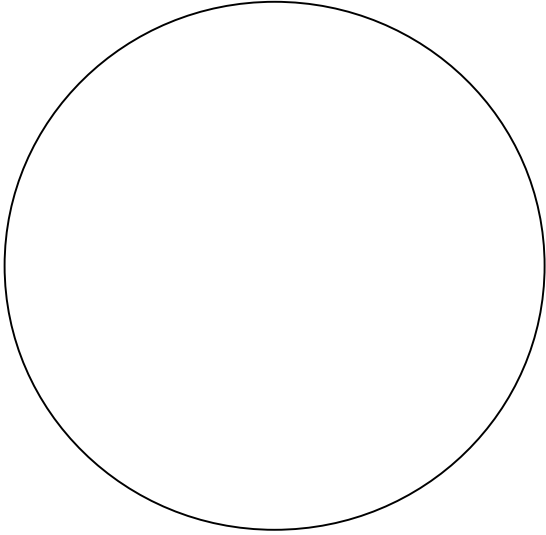
3. Give two examples from this case study (all three parts!) that makes the U.S. **not** seem like a **democracy**?

4. Persuasive Essay 2 – Using all of the information you have acquired on abortion (readings, class notes, opinions of peers, etc.) and all of the statistics (student poll and Gallup poll) as evidence, **do you think America is a democracy**? Why or why not? On a separate sheet of paper, write a persuasive essay (5 paragraph minimum) that answers the question, focusing on abortion information as your evidence. **HOMEWORK LESSON 35**

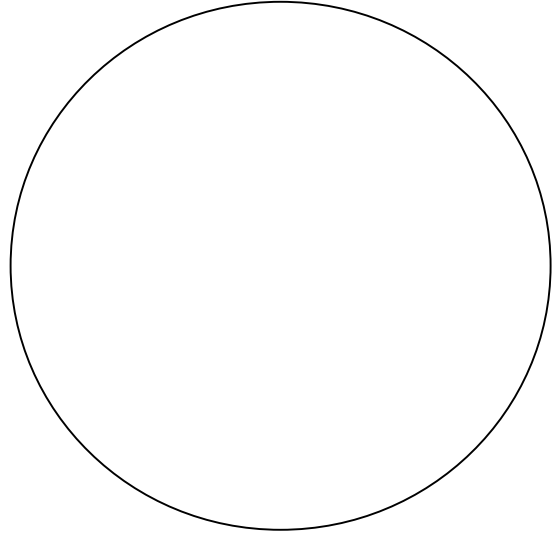


5. What do you think each philosopher would say about **HOW** our government should make a decision about the issue of abortion?

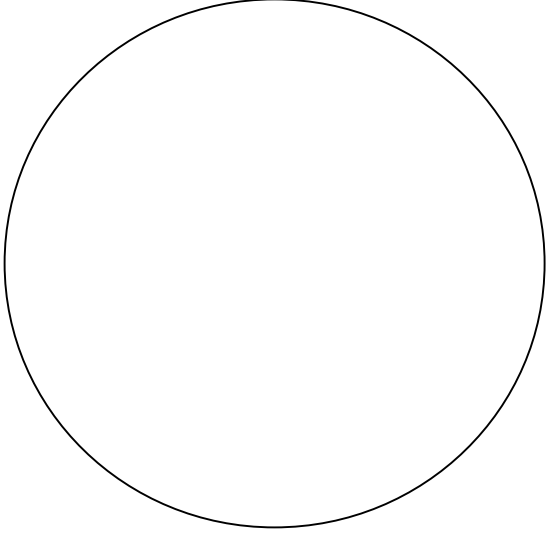
Rousseau



Hobbes



Locke



Marx

