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TEACHER
GUIDE

SEX SELECTIVE ABORTION

FOR HIGH SCHOOL
STUDENTS

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SUMMARY

Sex selective abortion is wrong. The majority of Canadians agree that using abortion for sex selection is wrong, yet Canada's lack of abortion laws allows this practice to continue. Girls are aborted at a higher rate than boys simply because they are girls. In a country that claims to value equality, this is unacceptable. Standing up for the equal rights of women includes standing up for their right to be born.

On June 2, 2021, Parliament voted against the Sex Selective Abortive Act (Bill C-233) in a vote of 248 – 82. That means the bill did not become law, and girls in Canada can continue to be aborted simply for being girls.

RESEARCH

Read and/or view the following and then answer the discussion questions that follow:

- <https://defendgirls.com/>
- <https://www.cmaj.ca/content/cmaj/184/3/E163.full.pdf>
- <https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=1896616093827600&ref=sharing>
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BS5RZPiD8tM>
- <https://weneedalaw.ca/initiatives/defend-girls/>
- <https://weneedalaw.ca/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/Sex-Selection-Act-One-Pager.pdf>
- <https://weneedalaw.ca/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/Model-Legislation-Sex-Selection-Act.pdf>
- <https://weneedalaw.ca/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/WNAL-PostitionPaper2020-SexSelective-web.pdf>

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. In a country that claims to be feminist, why do you think MPs voted against the Sex Selective Abortion Act?
2. How do you think police could enforce a ban on sex selective abortion?
3. For those who don't recognize the humanity of the pre-born child, there may still be a reason why they object to some abortions. What are some situations that you think pro-life and pro-choice people can agree that abortion is wrong?

TAKE ACTION!

Pink Envelopes

Send an empty pink envelope to your MP with the note: *"This envelope represents the life of a girl who lost her life to sex selective abortion. Please advocate for a sex selective abortion law."*

Click here to find your MP and the contact information: <https://www.ourcommons.ca/members/en>.



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Pink Flag Display

Organize a pink flag display, representing the girls that lose their lives to sex selective abortion. Contact We Need a Law at info@weneedalaw.ca for instructions and to book the flag kit.

Write Postcards

Send a postcard to your government MP asking them to put forward a law to protect pre-born children. Contact We Need a Law at info@weneedalaw.ca for free postcards.

Flyer Distribution

Distribute flyers in your neighborhood or with your friends. Contact We Need a Law at info@weneedalaw.ca for free Defend Girls flyers.