



Questions for Classroom Discussion **The Fight for Space**

What are the reasons for ending NASA's space exploration program?

- Consider the statement "we must fix problems here on earth before we go into space."
- Consider how space exploration is dangerous and has already killed several astronauts
- Consider ways NASA is already busy defending the US from celestial bodies (meteors, asteroids, etc)

What are the reasons for boosting NASA's space exploration program?

- Consider that many of our inventions have resulted from NASA's determination to send men into space
- Consider the belief that the earth will eventually run out of resources
- Consider that space is considered the "last frontier". What does the word "frontier" mean to you?

What do you think about the statement: "We must be allowed to explore, discover, and innovate for the better of all mankind"?

- Do you think that mankind really does have a need to explore and discover? What could happen if he doesn't?
- Consider if it is right to explore space when 96% of the oceans are unexplored.