

## **Question Script for Grabber**

### **What should the President do if SARS breaks out in US?**

#### **Politics:**

##### **Should the federal government declare martial law?**

- Should power lay at the President or Congress?
- Will Congress be too slow?
- Will the President become power hungry and dictatorial?
- Should the national government take over health care and hospitals?
- Can they enforce quarantines – force people to stay in a building?

##### **Should the federal government coordinate efforts, or allow states to handle things?**

- Do we need a nationally coordinated effort, or will that slow things down?
- What programs does the federal government have that might be helpful? (National Guard, FEMA)
- If we had nationally coordinated efforts, how might that be helpful? Harmful?
- Do states know how to handle things better? What benefits? What drawbacks?

#### **Religion:**

##### **What role should churches and religious groups play in a SARS outbreak?**

- Why is the church/synagogue/mosque important in society?
- What could go wrong with increased religious fervor?
- Could certain groups be blamed or targeted?
- Will some people blame God?
- Should churches be forced to care for sick, become hospitals, etc?

#### **Psychological/Social:**

##### **What responsibility does society have to treat the fear, anxiety, depression that may happen?**

- Should the government force psychologists or social workers to counsel people sick with SARS? their families?
- Are there counseling services society could provide?
- How could communities possibly react positively in this situation?
- How could communities react negatively in this situation?
- Could certain groups be blamed? Could people become violent? Could people panic?
- What would happen if there is mass panic?

#### **Economics:**

##### **What should the government do to keep the economy going?**

- How will businesses be impacted?
- Which businesses will be hurt?
- Which businesses will be in high demand, maybe even over demanded?
- What businesses should be the top priority?