

# PHIL 1102 Intro to Contemporary Moral Issues PHIL 1112 Debating Ethical Controversies Katy Shorey "Adopt or Not" Classroom Activity

# Adopt or Not?

You and your partner work for an animal shelter and just received an adoption application! Someone is interested in adopting one of your dogs. Now you have to decide if the person should adopt or not.

# **Previous Applicants**

Below are four previous applications. Two were **accepted** and two were **rejected**. Based on these four applications, determine if your new applicant can adopt a dog or not.

# **Accepted Applications**

# Person 1

How many people live in your home? 4

Do any children live in the house? If so, what are their ages? 2 children, 7 years old and 10 years old

Are there any other pets in the house? If so, what pets? **1 pet, Cat** 

If there is another dog in the house, do they have experience living or interacting often with another dog? **Not applicable** 

How many hours do the main people who will be taking care of the dog work a day? 4

How many days do the main people who will be taking care of the dog work a week? 5

Will there be anyone home during the day to let the dog out or play with the dog? Yes

Are there any family members whose health may be affected by the dog? Yes

Do you own or rent your property? **Own** 

Do you live in a house or an apartment/condo? **House** 

Is there a backyard or area on your property for the dog to run freely? Yes

If there is a backyard, is it fully fenced in? Yes

Do you have a trusted veterinarian in your location? Yes

Are there dog parks in your location? Yes

Will you buy your dog pet insurance? Yes

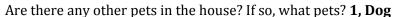
## Person 2

How many people live in your home? **2** Do any children live in the house? If so, what are their ages? **0** 

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If there is another dog in the house, do they have experience living or interacting often with another dog? **Yes** 

How many hours do the main people who will be taking care of the dog work a day? 8

How many days do the main people who will be taking care of the dog work a week? 5

Will there be anyone home during the day to let the dog out or play with the dog? Yes, dogwalker

Are there any family members whose health may be affected by the dog? No

Do you own or rent your property? **Own** 

Do you live in a house or an apartment? **Apartment** 

Is there a backyard or area on your property for the dog to run freely? Yes

If there is a backyard, is it fully fenced in? Yes

Do you have a trusted veterinarian in your location? Yes

Are there dog parks in your location? Yes

Will you buy your dog pet insurance? No

# **Rejected Applications**

### Person 3

How many people live in your home? 1

Do any children live in the house? If so, what are their ages?  ${f 0}$ 

Are there any other pets in the house? If so, what pets?  ${f 0}$ 

If there is another dog in the house, do they have experience living or interacting often with another dog? **Not applicable** 

How many hours do the main people who will be taking care of the dog work a day? 8

How many days do the main people who will be taking care of the dog work a week? 5

Will there be anyone home during the day to let the dog out or play with the dog? **No** 

Are there any family members whose health may be affected by the dog? **No** 

Do you own or rent your property? **Own** 

Do you live in a house or an apartment/condo? Apartment

Is there a backyard or area on your property for the dog to run freely? No

If there is a backyard, is it fully fenced in? **Not applicable** 

Do you have a trusted veterinarian in your location? Yes

Are there dog parks in your location? Yes

Will you buy your dog pet insurance? **No** 

#### Person 4

How many people live in your home? 3

Do any children live in the house? If so, what are their ages? 1, 8 years old

Are there any other pets in the house? If so, what pets? 0

If there is another dog in the house, do they have experience living or interacting often with another dog? **Not applicable** 

How many hours do the main people who will be taking care of the dog work a day? 8

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How many days do the main people who will be taking care of the dog work a week? 5
Will there be anyone home during the day to let the dog out or play with the dog? No
Are there any family members whose health may be affected by the dog? No
Do you own or rent your property? Rent
Do you live in a house or an apartment/condo? House
Is there a backyard or area on your property for the dog to run freely? Yes
If there is a backyard, is it fully fenced in? No
Do you have a trusted veterinarian in your location? Yes
Are there dog parks in your location? Yes
Will you buy your dog pet insurance? No

# **New Application**

How many people live in your home? **2**Do any children live in the house? If so, what are their ages? **0**Are there any other pets in the house? If so, what pets? **1, Lizard**If there is another dog in the house, do they have experience living or interacting often with another dog? **Not applicable** 

How many hours do the main people who will be taking care of the dog work a day? 6
How many days do the main people who will be taking care of the dog work a week? 5
Will there be anyone home during the day to let the dog out or play with the dog? Yes
Are there any family members whose health may be affected by the dog? Yes (allergies)
Do you own or rent your property? Rent
Do you live in a house or an apartment/condo? Apartment
Is there a backyard or area on your property for the dog to run freely? No
If there is a backyard, is it fully fenced in? Not applicable
Do you have a trusted veterinarian in your location? Yes
Are there dog parks in your location? Yes

Do you **ACCEPT** or **REJECT** their application? Why?

Will you buy your dog pet insurance? **Yes** 

What questions from the application did you weigh more? Why?

What might be some implicit biases in this application form and process?

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