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Ethical Problems Surrounding Surrogate Motherhood

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A surrogate mother is a woman who carries a child, usually for an infertile couple. My students' primary focuses are the moral issues. This unit will be taught in an 8th grade science class, but can also be used in a health and civics class. Addressed in this unit are moral issues of surrogate motherhood. The areas developed are: 1) what is surrogacy and the types of surrogacy; 2) who should and should not be a surrogate and is surrogacy for you; 3) religion - from a Christian point of view, how surrogacy is perceived; 4) surrogacy and the law - an informative tool used to bridge the gap between surrogacy and the law. Included in this unit are: ethical issues, vocabulary list, resources, lesson plans, reading list, and bibliography.

(Recommended for Home Economics, Civics, and Science, grades 7-12.)

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