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## Death Penalty

Copy the following questions onto your paper. Answer them below. You do not need to go in order; you may skip around.

<http://www.amnestyusa.org/death-penalty/page.do?id=1011005>

1. What states have a death penalty? What states do not? List the states.
2. Which state had the most death penalties last year?
3. Are the costs higher or lower for the death penalty? Cite at least 2 statistics to support your answer.
4. How many countries have ended the death penalty?
5. What percentage of people support the death penalty? What percentage support life without parole?

<http://www.deathpenaltyinfo.org/>

6. What crimes in the state of California can be punishable by the death penalty?
7. Since 1973, how many people have been released from death row because of wrongful convictions?

<http://www.wesleylowe.com/cp.html>

8. What is the correlation between executions and murder rates between the years 1972-1976?
9. Summarize the case of Kenneth McDuff.

<http://deathpenalty.procon.org/>

10. What are the most common forms of capital penalty in the US?
11. Does a person's race affect the likelihood of him/her receiving the death penalty? Summarize the pro side.
12. Summarize the con side.
13. Does the death penalty deter crime? Summarize the PRO (yes) side.
14. Does the death penalty deter crime? Summarize the CON (no) side.
15. Pick a religious view and summarize their perspective on the death penalty.

<http://www.deathpenalty.org/>

16. According to this website, what are 10 reasons to oppose the death penalty?

<http://www.off2dr.com/>

17. Summarize the crime committed by Curtis Moore.
18. Summarize the crimes committed by Johnny Johnson.
19. What do you think about the death penalty? Are you for or against it. Why?
20. Explain the pros and cons of this issue to a parent or other adult. Are they for or against the death penalty? Why?

