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DISCUSSION GUIDE

Bill to Increase Pell Grants

- What is a Pell Grant?
- If this bill becomes a law, how will student loans change?
- How does this bill fit into Secretary Duncan's overall educational goals for the country?
- How will the government find the money to fund the increase in the number and the value of Pell Grants?

Generation Money Pop Quiz: National Debt

- How much is the U.S. national debt?
- How much is a trillion?
- How is the national debt calculated?
- What is a balanced budget?
- Should the government try to eliminate the national debt? Why?
- Should the government cut the spending required to ensure a balanced budget next year?

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