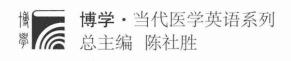
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Fertility and Life

Lesson 1

Designing Your Babies?



Pre-class Session

Activity 1 Vocabulary Work

Get familiar with the following glossary and complete each sentence with a proper word or phrase from the grid.

groundbreaking adj.

开创性的

conjure up

想起,使在脑海中显现

freak n.

怪人,畸形人

in vitro fertilization

体外受精,试管内受精

fertilize v.

使受精,使肥沃 子宫

womb n.

丁占

infertile adj.

不能生育的

hereditary *adj*.

遗传的

ordeal n.

折磨,考验

S	lippery	S	ope

灾难性的急剧下滑

1.	Once an egg is by the sperm, it becomes an embryo.
2.	Researchers are looking at how a mother's health can affect the baby in the
	·
3.	The mere mention of the words "heart failure", can, to the
	layman, the prospect of imminent death.
4.	The tendency to become obese is at least in part
5.	Some disciplines are pioneering research on ethical behavior.
6.	The has affected both her mental and physical health.
7.	Three years ago, Mary gave birth to her triplets after undergoing
8.	women have a somewhat higher risk of developing breast cancer.
9.	refer to those who are regarded as strange because of their
	unusual appearance or behavior.
10.	What can be done to help people escape from the of the poor
	health, poor education and deprivation?
In	-class Session
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	ivity 2 Event Observation
	erve a case or event by watching the video three times, focus on its five major
	nts, and outline each one with a phrase.
5.	

Activity 3 Detailed Understanding

Understand details by watching the video once again. Give a short oral or written

response to each of the following questions.

1.	What feeling did people have 30 years ago when the first test tube baby was born?
2.	How is the groundbreaking technology being used today?
3.	What is the new application of the IVF technology?
4.	How does the therapy "pre-implantation genetic diagnosis" work?
5.	Why did the Zimmermans use PGD?
6.	What is a big ethical question that PGD raises?
7.	Is it ethical or unethical for the Zimmermans to use PGD to make a healthy baby?

Activity 4 Discussing and Commenting

Discuss and comment on the following questions or statements.

- 1. Robert Edwards, a British physiologist and the father of the *in vitro* fertilization technique, was awarded the Nobel Prize in medicine in 2010. It was his work that led to the birth of the first test tube baby back in 1978. Why did people feel fearful when the world's first test tube baby was born?
- 2. Since 1978 millions of babies have been born as a result of IVF. What would have happened to millions of infertile couples if it had not been for the IVF technology?
- 3. There are some debates over the use of the IVF technique and preimplantation genetic diagnosis. Comment on those controversies and give your view on them.

Post-class Session

Activity 5 Written Expression

Translate the following passage into English.

作为社会文化的一部	
分,生育文化中的一些问题	
与医学发展密切相关。医	
学技术能帮助不育夫妇满	
足生育孩子的愿望,而这种	
愿望是历经数百万年进化、	
被程序化植入身心的最基	
本的本能之一。体外受精	
技术与胚胎植入前遗传诊	
断,为数百万夫妇带来生育	
健康孩子的希望,但也引发	
了对一些问题的争议:父母	
真的应控制子女的生物构	
造吗? 定制婴儿的做法不	
符合伦理吗?	

Reference Reading

Designing Your Babies?

It was 30 years the world's first test tube baby was born in Manchester, England. You might remember the fears surrounding it. Today the groundbreaking technology that gave her life is being used in the way that no one could imagine back in 1978. As the technology has developed, so has the controversy.

Thirty years ago, the phrase "test tube baby" conjured up images like these from "Brave New World" and real fears these babies would be social-polarized — freaks!

Well here she is, the world first test tube baby, now all grown-up and

perfectly normal. Since her birth more than three million babies have been born through *in vitro* fertilization, or IVF, where the egg is fertilized outside the body, then implanted into the womb.

But today the IVF isn't just about helping infertile parents, now it's been used to make sure babies are born healthy. The therapy is called pre-implantation genetic diagnosis, or PGD. It works by screening the embryos for genetic diseases before implanting them in the womb.

"They have embryos that we could look at, transfer only unaffected embryos, and then they have normal children, who have not only unaffected, but don't have to worry about the disease," said Dr. Zev Rosenwaks, director of the Center for Reproductive Medicine and Fertility.

PGD changed everything for Larry Zimmerman. Larry was born with a rare form of hereditary eye cancer. When their first born, Perry, was only seven weeks old, the tumor started showing up in her eyes and two years later in her brain. She spent many months in the hospital and had two operations. Perry is cancer free now, but the ordeal took its toll on the Zimmermans. They want to have more kids, but couldn't handle the risk of another cancer diagnosis.

But PGD raises some big ethical questions, especially as scientists identify more and more of our genes. Should parents really have control over biological make-up of their child?

"Then how are we going to stop people from saying, you know what: I would like someone with musical ability. I would like someone who is mathematically gifted. This slippery slope needs to have some stairs to put on if we are going to have any control over where we are going," said Prof. Arthur Caplan of Center for Bioethics, University of Pennsylvania.

It all starts with the first test tube baby. Now 30 years later, similar debates about science and nature ginned up genetics and made-to-order babies, but for the Zimmermans, it wasn't about making a designer family, it was about making a healthy one.

Lesson 2

Babies of the Future



Pre-class Session

Activity 1 Vocabulary Work

Get familiar with the following glossary and complete the exercise by matching a word or phrase with its definition or synonyms.

innocent adj. 天真的,无辜的 tinker with 修补,摆弄 运动的,体格健壮的 athletic adj. trait n. 特性,特点 empathy n. 同理心,共情 筹划,制订,详细提出 map out 基因组,染色体组 genome n. pore over 仔细阅读,钻研 易受影响的, 易受感染的 susceptible adj. defective adj. 有缺陷的

1	vigorously active; having a sturdy and well proportioned
	body
2	the ability to share someone else's feelings or experiences
	by imagining what it would be like to be in that person's
	situation
3.	the ordering of genes in a haploid set of chromosomes of a
	particular organism; the full DNA sequence of an organism