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English 102  
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Analysis of Appeals to Pathos in  
“Perils of Promise: Destroy an Embryo, Waste a Life”

Instructions: For this assignment you’ll be writing an analysis of U.S. Representative Christopher Smith’s appeals to pathos in his speech to the floor of Congress regarding embryonic stem cell research.

Structure:

- This assignment should be presented in essay form, with an introduction paragraph, body paragraphs, and a conclusion paragraph.
- Your thesis should assert a position regarding the rhetorical effectiveness of Smith’s appeals to pathos in his speech.
- Your body paragraphs should be well-structured (topic sentence, support, analysis) and focus on specific appeals (type and examples) that illustrate and support your thesis.
- In keeping with the function of body paragraphs in an essay, each body paragraph should maintain a singular focus—one appeal type—provide support in the form of example(s), and present analysis that explains the meaning and relevance of the support in relation to your thesis statement.
- Although the concept of rhetorical analysis may be new, the overall structure of an academic essay should not be, given the level of this course. Therefore, standard conventions of the academic essay in terms of structure and form will be assessed when this assignment is scored.

Standard MLA essay format, including:

- MLA header
- MLA heading
- MLA title
- MLA spacing
- MLA font
- MLA in-text citation practices when quoting Smith’s speech

No outside sources should be consulted when writing this assignment. Limit your sources to Module content regarding specific types of appeals to pathos and Smith’s speech.

Length: 2 to 3 pages



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