

Role Play Cards

You are a 50-year old, Caucasian female. You have a masters degree in education and teach high school biology. You are married and have three children, two in college and one in high school. Your mother is 82 and your father died three years ago at the age of 82. All five of your siblings are living (ages 47, 53, 55, and 58). Your 58-year old sister has breast cancer (diagnosed 7 years ago). You do not know if it is genetically transmitted. You are of normal weight, walk 10 miles a week, have good health, but a high cholesterol level.

You are 44-year old, Caucasian male. You are medical doctor specializing in pediatrics. You are married and have two children, ages 7 & 10. Your mother is still living at age 69, but your father, grandfather, and two fraternal uncles all died of heart attacks in their forties. You have a normal cholesterol, eat healthy foods, have annual checkups, and work out at the gym for an hour each morning.

You are a 16-year old, Caucasian male with acute lymphocytic leukemia. You were diagnosed three years ago and have been undergoing chemotherapy on and off for three years. You are currently in remission. Your parents are both healthy and you have a sister who is 19. Your GPA is 3.6 and you are now playing for the JV soccer team. You are active in Leadership Council and you write for the school newspaper.

You are a 83-year old African-American male. You and your wife are retired, but you worked as an accountant for 40 years. You have four living children, all college graduates, and one child who died at the age of 3. You have 8 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren. You have high blood pressure, but take medication to control it. You volunteer at the local hospital in the gift shop and are active in your church.

You are a 90-year old, Caucasian female. You never married. You currently live in a nursing home. You have smoked since your were 15 and you drank two beers a day until you suffered a stroke two years ago. You were never physically active, but did work as a secretary until you were 72. You have always played bridge with your friends and you enjoyed sewing and reading until your eyesight became bad.

You are a 5-year old African-American male. You were diagnosed with spastic cerebral palsy two years ago. You have difficulty walking because tight muscles in the hips and legs cause legs to turn inward and cross at the knees, so you are confined to a wheel chair. You are also mentally retarded. Your parents are both lawyers and healthy, but your mother contracted rubella (German measles) during her pregnancy. You have two older siblings.

You are a 65-year old Hispanic female. You have two deceased sisters, one died of colon cancer and the other in an automobile accident. You own a flower shop and have no plans to retire soon. You are divorced and have one grown son, who is an engineer, and three grandchildren. You inherited your shop from your father and have worked there since you were a child. You are 30 pounds overweight, but are trying to diet. You rarely have time to exercise, because your store is open 9am – 9pm. You have not seen a doctor since your son was born.

You are a 17-year old Hispanic male. Your parents are both migrant workers, but you are an A student and have just received a full scholarship to Harvard University. You hope to study computer programming. You are active in Student Council, president of National Honor Society, and run cross-country. You are an only child. Your grandparents and great-grandparents are all still living, but you don't see them because they live in Mexico.