

**Read the following, discuss and reach an agreement about the three that seem most important to you. Rank them 1st, 2nd and 3rd—use the boxes on the left. You have five minutes for this.**

- It takes the wood from one whole tree to cure the tobacco that an average smoker consumes in just two weeks.
- Tobacco growers use large amounts of pesticides and fertilisers. These can get into drinking water, animals and other crops. Some of these chemicals cause cancer.
- Tobacco takes up nutrients from the soil faster than any other crop. This makes the land less fit for growing food even where fertilisers are used.
- British smokers throw away about 20 million cigarette packets and about 300 million butts every day. Many of these end up adding litter to the streets.
- Tobacco contains additives which help to keep the cigarette alight, which increases the risk of fire from discarded cigarettes.
- Some fires are started by small children playing with matches and cigarette lighters which are left lying around. Many of those who die in fires are children under five years old.

**You have ten minutes to plan a presentation explaining why your top ranking choice is more important than the others. You will have two minutes for the presentation itself. Use the space below to list the key points of your presentation.**

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