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WRITING PROMPTS FOR REFLECTION ON WATER QUALITY PROBLEM

Instructions:

Please respond to each of the questions thoroughly and thoughtfully. Keep in mind...

- There is no right or wrong answers, only opinions.
- It's important that we hear what you think.
- Your thoughts are extremely important to us. You are the "expert."

WHAT DO I THINK?

1. How would you explain what you have been doing in this project to someone who is unaware of the Hydroville Curriculum Project?

2. How did you keep yourself involved?

TEAM BUILDING

3. How did you contribute to your team's effectiveness?

4. Describe situations when the team worked well together. Explain why.



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PROBLEM SOLVING

Instructions:

Read the following two newspaper articles and answer three questions below.

Widespread Chicken Contamination

DURHAM - What appears to be a mass poisoning has affected poultry farms across the states of Alabama, Georgia, and North Carolina, with an estimated loss of over 100,000 chickens. According to a grower who requested anonymity, the chickens acted very strangely for the last several days and “wouldn’t go near their feed.” Fred Pucker, CEO of PuckerUp Poultry Inc., which hires out the farms where the poisoning occurred, refused to be interviewed. The Alabama and North Carolina State Departments of Public Health are investigating the outbreak to determine the risk this poisoning may pose to human health. Poultry is a major industry in the South.

Two-Headed Chickens in Alabama!

DURHAM - Last week’s mass chicken poisoning resulted in over 100,000 mutated chickens, some with two heads, five legs, and one with three wings. When PuckerUp Poultry, Inc. discovered these reproductive abnormalities, the company immediately killed all chickens on their farms in the states of Alabama, Georgia, and North Carolina. PuckerUp employees are concerned that the same thing will happen to their children. PuckerUp Poultry, Inc. bought its chicken feed, believed to be contaminated with the carcinogen, dioxin from the PuckerUp exclusive contractor, Feed The World, Inc. located in Mobile, Alabama. PuckerUp is the largest poultry producer in the US, with over \$7 billion in sales in 2000. They ship their poultry across the US where it is sold at nearly every major supermarket chain in the country. It is also exported to several European and South American countries.

(1) What is the problem reported in the newspaper articles?

(2) What questions do you have about the problem?

(3) How can you answer your questions? (Please write down in detail.)