THE CASE STUDY



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- Higher prices at the pump
- Disastrous train accident
- Widespread power outage
- The government to table new draft bill in September
- Athletes' participation in Olympics uncertain

There has been a disastrous train accident, reportedly caused by the collision of a high-speed train and a van.

Thirty-two people have been taken to emergency at the regional hospital, some 40 kilometres from the scene of the disaster. The identities of the injured have not been released at this point. We do know, however, that a group of Russian tourists boarded the train in Québec City. Although the condition of the victims is not known, medical authorities have already announced that many of them will need blood transfusions.

Medical personnel have to analyze the victims' blood compatibility to determine whether there is an adequate blood supply on hand. Hospital administrators will report on the condition of the injured later today. They may ask people in the region to give blood in aid of the accident victims.

In this situation, you are to play the role of the medical personnel responsible for analyzing blood compatibility of the accident victims. You have to check if there is a sufficient blood supply and decide whether to organize a blood drive.

THE CASE STUDY (continued)

Here are the blood types of the accident victims and the quantities of blood they need.

Number of victims	Blood type	Number of litres needed
4	A ⁺	8
3		9
7	B ⁺	14
8	B	18
1	AB ⁺	3
1	AB ⁻	3
6	O ⁺	18
2	O ⁻	6

Here are the numbers of litres in the blood supply.

Litres in the blood supply			
Blood type	Litres on hand		
A ⁺	10		
A ⁻	14		
B ⁺	12		
B	8		
AB ⁺	2		
AB ⁻	2		
O ⁺	10		
O ⁻	22		

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CREATING THE CONTEXT

I ask myself questions

- 1. What is a blood transfusion?
- **2.** What is a blood recipient?
- 3. What is a blood donor?
- 4. What is blood compatibility?
- 5. Who are the players in this case study?

6. What questions should be asked by the person responsible for analyzing the blood compatibility of the accident victims?

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CREATING THE CONTEXT (continued)

I must

7. Reformulate the case study goal in your own words.

I think

8. Do you think a person can receive blood of all types? Justify your answer.

What I know and what I must find out

9. Record the information you have and the information you have to find.

What I know . . . What I must find out . . .

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CREATING THE CONTEXT (continued)

I prepare my work

10.	Where will you find the information for your task?
11.	Give the main steps of this case study in chronological order.

Reflection Yes No

Do I clearly understand what I have to do?



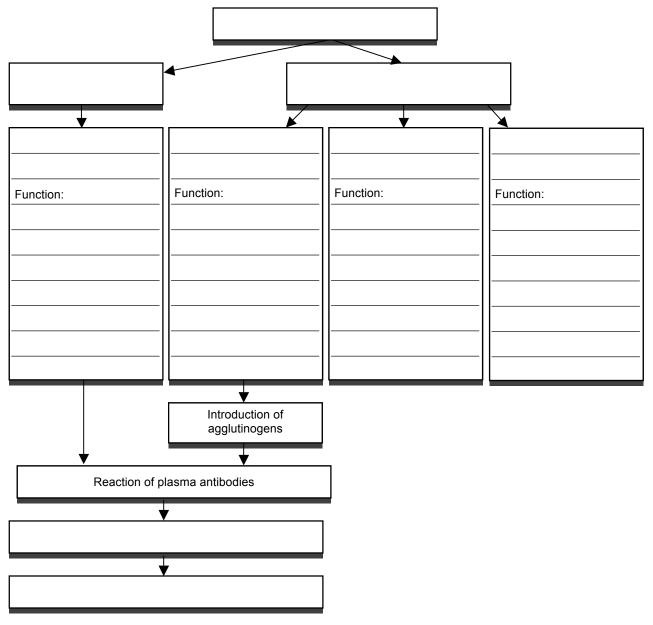
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GATHERING INFORMATION

I do research

- 1. The concept map on this page represents the composition of blood and shows the role of its constituents when blood types are incompatible. Write the following words in the proper spaces in the following diagram and define the function of the blood constituents.
 - · Agglutination of red blood cells
 - · Blood clotting
 - Formed elements

- White blood cells (leukocytes)
- Platelets (thrombocytes)
- · Liquid element
- Plasma
- Red blood cells (erythrocytes)



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GATHERING INFORMATION (continued)

2.	Name the four blood types.
3.	How are the blood types distributed within the Québec population?

I apply my research results

4. You have to match the victims' blood types with the blood supply. Use the following table to determine which types of blood the victims can receive.

Number of victims	Blood type	Litres needed	Potential blood types
4	$A^{\scriptscriptstyle{+}}$	8	
3	A	9	
7	B ⁺	14	
8	B-	18	
1	AB ⁺	3	
1	AB ⁻	3	
6	O ⁺	18	
2	0-	6	

Reflection				
Ha	ave I clearly understood:			
•	the functions of the blood constituents?			
•	blood compatibility?			

COMPLETING THE CASE STUDY

I make suggestions

1. Indicate how many litres of blood of each type you could prescribe for the victims. Maximize use of the blood supply.

Number of victims	Blood type	Litres available	Litres needed	Possible blood types	Litres to be transfused, by blood type
4	A ⁺	10	8		
3	A ⁻	14	9		
7	B ⁺	12	14		
8	B	8	18		
1	AB ⁺	2	3		
1	AB ⁻	2	3		
6	O ⁺	10	18		
2	0-	22	6		

2. Will there be enough blood to help all the victims?

3. What will be your recommendation to hospital administrators?

Reflection Yes No

Have I considered various solutions?

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VALIDATING THE CASE STUDY

I justify my approach

1. Why do you prescribe transfusing these blood types to the victims? Justify your answer.

2. Explain why a donor and a recipient who do not have the same blood type may be compatible.

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MY EVALUATION

Use the evaluation grid on the next page for your self-evaluation. Write A, B, C, D or E in the appropriate spaces in this table.

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Criteria*	Observable indicators	Me	Teacher	Comments
1	Creating the context			
	Definition of the case study goal and formulation of questions for gathering information			
			With help	
2	Gathering information			
	Determination of compatible blood types			
			□ With	
			help	
3	Completing the case study			
	Prescriptions and recommendation			
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			□ With	
			help	
4	Validating the case study			
	Justification and explanation of the solution			
			With help	

* Evaluation criteria

- 1 Formulation of appropriate questions
- 2 Appropriate use of scientific and technological concepts, laws, models and theories
- 3 Relevant explanations, solutions or actions
- 4 Suitable justification of explanations, solutions or actions

EVALUATION GRID

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) -	CREATING THE CONTEXT Definition of the case study	The questions for gathering information are relevant.	The questions for gathering information are relevant.	The questions for gathering information are more or less	The questions for gathering information are more or less relevant	The work needs to be redone
	goal and formulation of questions for gathering information	The case study goal is very clear.	The case study goal is clear.	relevant OR the case study goal is more or less clear.	AND the case study goal is more or less clear.	
7	GATHERING INFORMATION	The compatibility analyses are adequate.	The compatibility analyses contain	The compatibility analyses contain	Most of the compatibility analyses are inadequate.	The work needs to
	Determination of compatible blood types		a few errors.	many errors.		be redone.
က	COMPLETING THE CASE STUDY	The suggested prescriptions and	The suggested prescriptions contain	The suggested prescriptions contain	The suggested prescriptions contain	The work needs to
	Prescriptions and recommendation	are relevant.	a lew errors, but trie recommendation is relevant.	inally endis OR the recommendation is not relevant.	many minor enois AND the recommendation is not relevant.	
4	VALIDATING THE CASE STUDY	The justifications and explanation are relevant and very clear	The justifications and explanation are relevant	The justifications are more or less relevant	The justifications are more or less relevant	The work needs to
	Justification and explanation of the solution			the explanation is not clear.	the explanation is not clear.	

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