

Questions for *Ebola: The Plague Fighters*

- 1) What measures did the doctors take to prevent infection while working with patients? How did the Red Cross deal with the deceased?

- 2) Why was it so difficult to educate the citizens of Kikwit about the dangers of Ebola? How did the doctors and medical students get the word out?

- 3) What measures do the doctors and the government take to make sure that the plague does not spread? Why was Kikwit so vulnerable to outbreak?

- 4) Why would humans be an 'accidental' host to the Ebola virus? What animals do scientists think are the 'real' hosts to this virus?

- 5) What do scientists believe is Ebola's natural home, and why do they believe that?

- 6) How did the doctors figure out who the first outbreak victim was? What was the significance of the funeral picture?

- 7) What different science disciplines were involved in researching the outbreak?

- 8) Explain the Zaire doctors' rationale in giving Nicole a blood transfusion. How do they think it will help? Why do the international doctors disagree?