

Dr. Rose

You are a scientist for a major medical research company that has recently developed a vaccine to prevent lositus, a rare but very contagious disease that attacks the brain. Symptoms of this disease include brain swelling, headaches, hallucinations, and a great pain. The disease has always proven fatal, but because the disease is extremely rare, your research has not been considered that valuable in the past. However, there has been an outbreak of lositus in a small town in northern Mexico, just a few miles from the California border. If the community is not quarantined and soon given the lositus vaccine, this disease could rapidly spread to the United States, and eventually, worldwide. If the company you work for can produce enough vaccine to save these people and stop a potential world epidemic, it will certainly make a great deal of money, even though the economy is in the midst of a recession. Furthermore, the company will receive worldwide publicity, which means that future business deals will be guaranteed. Unfortunately, one of the main ingredients used to make the vaccine comes from the juice of Pyro. The only place Pyro has been successfully cultivated and grown is on-board space stations in a weightless environment. NASA had originally given your company a small sample of the Pyro for research purposes. NASA also has just enough Pyro left so that an adequate supply of the vaccine can be produced. NASA has no plans to grow more Pyro until next year. Realizing the windfall your company would receive by stopping this potential epidemic, you have been authorized to offer NASA \$5 million for the remaining Pyro supply. You have also heard that Dr. Buckley, a research scientist for another organization, needs the Pyro for a project that he is working on. Before approaching NASA, you have decided to talk to Dr. Buckley in hopes of persuading him not to bid on the Pyro. You realize that you personally stand to make millions of dollars and become a world-renowned scientist if you can help to save this town. You will have a set time in which to discuss the situation with Dr. Buckley.