



You Be the Judge

Judges are faced with making tough decisions every day. Today you are the judge. Your task is to read the scenario below, considering all sides of the argument and render your decision. Write a paragraph stating your decision and include three reasons to support this judgment.

The class has been studying immigration and various cultures in Social Studies. As an end of unit activity, the teacher assigned a cultural share project. This is where a student needs to create a presentation around a food or artifact from their family's heritage. Curt very proudly brought his great grandfather's antique silver letter opener into school to share for his presentation. Vicky saw this item in his book bag when they were getting ready for lunch. She became scared thinking she saw a dangerous knife or weapon. Vicky reported it immediately to the Principal on her way to the cafeteria. The Principal was surprised because Curt was usually a good and hard-working student. The School Board has a "zero tolerance" policy, and will suspend any student for 10 days who brings a weapon to school. Should Curt be suspended for 10 days? You be the Judge.....
