

Text 6 BABY DROP-OFF SPARKS ETHICS DEBATE

1. Why do people have children?
2. Do you think that life begins at conception?
3. Should women have the exclusive right to decide about abortion?
4. To have or not to have? Can baby boxes help to solve the dilemma?

Birth of the baby box

- First baby box installed at the GynCentrum, Prague 9, June 1, 2005
- Second baby box installed at the Brothers of Mercy Hospital in Brno in September 2005
- First baby left February 17, 2006
- Cost of each box, including installation: 300,000 Czech Crowns (12,490 USD)
- Size: 50 cm x 50 cm x 70 cm
- Temperature: 37 degrees Celsius

1. What are the arguments of the advocates for the baby boxes?
2. Which arguments do the opponents of the baby boxes use?
3. How can the baby boxes be described? In which cities are they?
4. In which countries have the baby boxes proven their substantiation?
5. Which questions has Soňa's story raised?

Personal experience:

1. How many children would you like to bring up?
2. Can the woman have the right to drop off her baby?
3. Does an embryo developed for in vitro fertilisation deserve the same right to life as a foetus?
4. Are you for or against the baby boxes in the Czech Republic?
5. In which case can the baby box be a solution?