EJERCICIOS

INSTRUCCIONES: Con base en la información del texto "Dr. Death", contesta las siguientes preguntas:

Texto[7]

A LICENSE TO KILL

"Dr. Death"

In the late 1980s, inspired by a visit to the Netherlands, Michigan pathologist Jack Kevorkian—"Dr. Death"—decided to assist terminal patients in committing suicide. In 1989 he constructed his first suicide machine.



Since then, the Kevorkian cure has dispatched at least 45 people. Many have not been terminally ill. A few have shown no signs of disease when examined by a coroner. A number were disabled people who might have chosen life if they had been given more services and more options.

If someone requests assistance in committing suicide, who decides if it's the right thing to do? "This is a medical procedure," Kevorkian said in 1993, "that only medical men should decide."

Kevorkian's writings describe those he sees as potential euthanasia candidates. They include people with "severe trauma," those with "intense anxiety or psychic torture," and "fetuses, infants, minor children and every human being incapable of giving direct or informed consent."

As the baby-boomer population enters its declining years, and as pressures to ration health-care services increase, these ideas might seem frightening. But many Americans don't see his work in those terms. They see what the media have told them to see. Journalists legitimize Kevorkian's activities by calling him a doctor, but they often don't mention that his medical license was suspended in 1991. And how often are Kevorkian's cases examined to determine who controls these experiments in death?

Lately, the story has become routine. Self-certified and unsupervised, Kevorkian provides lethal drugs, transports corpses—and dares anyone to stop him.

—Michael Betzold in *The New Republic*

[7] Texto "Dr: Death", en *Readers Digest de México*, Febrero, 1994, pág. 95

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1. ¿Quién escribió el texto?

2. ¿En qué tipo de publicación puede aparecer este tipo de texto?

3. ¿En qué lugar y fecha fue publicado?

4. ¿Para quién fue escrito?

5. ¿Cuál fue la intención del autor?

6. ¿Quién es el "Dr. Death"?

7. ¿Qué construyó el doctor Kevorkian en 1989?

8. ¿Qué hizo el Dr. Kevorkian entre 1989 y 1993?

9. ¿Qué le fue suspendido en 1991?

10. ¿Qué características tienen los candidatos potenciales para la eutanasia, según el doctor Kevorkian?

11. ¿Qué lugar visitó el doctor Kevorkian que lo inspiró para asistir pacientes terminales?

12. ¿Cuál es la opinión del doctor Kevorkian en relación con la decisión del suicidio?

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13. ¿A qué reta Kevorkian a cualquiera?

14. ¿Qué idea pudiera parecer aterradora?

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