

6. **CANADA - MEXICO - U.S. FREE TRADE** (approx. 35 min.)

You may already know that Mexico and the U.S. have already begun talks about free trade between themselves. Canada has announced that it has joined those talks.

- A. Do you think it is a good idea for Canada to sit in on these talks? Why? Why not?
- B. What about the idea of having a free trade zone or a free trade agreement including Canada, the U.S. and Mexico?

**[NOTE TO MODERATOR: Remind them about the 1992 Europe concept discussed earlier if needed.]**

**PROBE FOR:** Do you think a free trade zone including Canada, the U.S. and Mexico would be a good thing or a bad thing? Why?

Would this make Canada more competitive?

What would the benefits or disadvantages be for Canada in the short term (3 years)? The medium term (5 years)?

**[NOTE TO MODERATOR: Probe for both benefits and disadvantages in the long and the short term.]**