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The Miracle of Life – Reflection Assignment

As part of the 8th grade family health unit, each student will view “The Miracle of Life” PBS documentary. The Miracle Of Life uses special microscopic photographic techniques to offer an unusual glimpse of a largely unseen world as a child grows and develops within the mother's body, from the point that the ovary releases its egg to the birth of a baby nine months later. After viewing the film, each student will write a reflection on the documentary. Some areas to think about while viewing the film and include in the paper are:

- Reactions to the photography and actual appearance of the reproductive organs
- The complexity of conception, fertilization, and pregnancy
- Your thoughts on how 2 single reproductive cells smaller than a grain of sand combined and eventually result in you
- Do you think you are ready for the responsibilities of pregnancy/supporting your partner during pregnancy?
- Do you think you are capable of caring for another life in addition to yours? (financially, emotionally, mentally, physically?)
- General thoughts and reactions to the video-any questions you have about what you saw, information that stood out to you, information that surprised you.
- Do you think seeing the film was a positive educational experience?

The paper is worth 50 points and will be graded based on the following criteria:

- Grammar: spelling, punctuation, complete sentences
- Specific references to facts seen in the video
- Supporting your reactions with details and examples