## **ACTIVITY 1: DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

- 1 What is a pressure group? What do pressure groups do?
- 2 Can you name any pressure groups? What are their aims?
- 3 Do you know any alternative names for pressure groups?
- 4 What do you think the difference is between a 'cause' pressure group and a 'promotional' pressure group?
- 5 What methods do pressure groups use?
- 6 Can you define the following?
  - a Lobbying
  - **b** Civil disobedience
  - c Petitions
  - d Protest
  - e Leaflets
  - f Illegal action
- 7 Do you think it is every justifiable to break the law in order to achieve a goal? Do the ends justify the means?
- 8 Do you think pressure groups play a useful role in society?
- 9 Do you agree with the position that pressure groups are a threat to democracy?

