Flying Cheap
Focus on Flight Safety

Directions: In the wake of the crash of Continental Flight 3407, the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) would like to consider recommendations for improving flight safety. You have been assigned to a working group that represents a specific point of view. Complete the steps outlined below and report your findings back to the executive committee (the full class).

1) Review the safety ideas proposed by the families of Continental Flight 3407 in the document “Gameplan for Aviation Safety Improvements.”

2) From your assigned perspective, discuss:

• Which two ideas are the most feasible for improving flight safety? Why?
• What might be the economic impact of these two strategies? (Higher operating costs/passenger fares? Tax dollars needed to implement or enforce?)
• Should the government mandate these measures or make them voluntary? Why?

3) The consensus of my group about which two recommendations seem the most feasible for improving flight safety are:

1.

Reasoning:

2.

Reasoning: