

CHAPTER 14	Thought Lab 14.1: STIs: What to Know and How to Know It Answer Key	BLM 14.2.2A
ANSWER KEY		

Answers to Analysis Questions

1. STIs that will disrupt the reproductive system are: HPV, which is linked to cervical cancer; and Chlamydia, which can lead to PID (which may damage oviducts and cause infertility).
2. STIs that will permanently damage the reproductive system are: HPV and Chlamydia in later stages.
3. Effective presentations will be easy to follow, interesting, interactive, and engaging. They will leave the audience with a clear message about the topic and knowledge of what to do.
4. Challenges for health practitioners are to connect with the age group they are presenting the information to, and overcome resistance to a message that the audience will be reluctant to hear. Make suggestions concerning the best types of media, the kinds of presenters students will respect, and ways to shape the message so that the listeners will pay attention and take action.

Answer to Extension Question

5. Topics for debate could include teaching abstinence vs. educating teens about STIs, the availability of protection such as condoms, the confidentiality of STI test results, or whether personal privacy rights should prevail over the need to protect public health when it comes to STIs. Your debate should include convincing arguments on both sides of the issue and points that are backed with facts that were researched and logically presented.