

The Decision

Five people are sick with an extremely rare disease, Boultenarous. According to the doctors, all will be dead within one year. Until now, there has been no known cure for Boultenarous. However, yesterday a famous scientist, Professor David Smarey, announced that he had invented a new drug which could treat the disease.

Unfortunately, the scientist has enough medicine to cure only one person, and the drug's manufacturing process takes over a year. Therefore, Professor Smarey must select one lucky person to receive the medicine and be cured.

The five patients are:

- * Professor Andrew Scott (age 57) - a famous doctor who has saved many lives. He has no family.
- * Helen Rainer (age 32) - a homemaker with a husband and three children.
- * Tom DeMaltio (age 45) - a homeless man with no family.
- * Tina Gomez (age 3) - a little girl with her whole life still ahead of her. She has two parents and three brothers and sisters.
- * George Wyndham (age 61) - President of the United States. He is divorced, and has two children and three grandchildren.

If you were Professor Smarey, what would your decision be? Give a reason for your choice.



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