Week #1
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Overview of Dispute Resolution and Conflict Management
Chapter I
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1. What is conflict? What are disputes?
   What are the sources or types of conflict?

2. Think about a conflict that you have experienced or that you have read or heard about reported in a newspaper or magazine. How might the disputants or possibly attorneys have avoided such a conflict in advance? Do you think the conflict you identified has positive or negative aspects, or both? What are they?

3. What are the methods for preventing and resolving disputes?
   * The Dispute Resolution Continuum
   * Senate Table Adjudication Exercise

4. Write down three or four concrete skills that you would like to learn. Why are these important things for you to know?