**Fishbowl Activity on *Silent Spring*** – **Chapters 1-3**

**Instructions for Each Group**

Your purpose for reading *Silent Spring* is to find textual support for the answer to the question your team has been given. After reading the chapters, do the following:

1. Discuss the question and answer your team has been given. Using evidence from the text and logical argument, your team should arrive at a consensus regarding the answer to the question.
2. Make a list, citing at least 4 examples of text-based supportive evidence.
3. Based on your list, write an argument supporting your answer. Use the Claim-Evidence-Reasoning (CER) model. Reminder:
   1. **Claim**: A statement that answers the question/problem (in this case, it is your answer to the question)
4. **Evidence**: Data that supports the answer; the data needs to be appropriate and sufficient to support the claim.
5. **Reasoning**: A justification that connects the evidence to the claim. It shows why the data counts as evidence.
6. Work with your team to select a spokesperson that can strongly

and successfully argue and defend the team’s answer in an open forum. Coach that person on what to say and how to say it.

Your question is: What is the white powder mentioned in chapter one?

Your group’s answer is: This will be given to each group individually.

Your question is: What is the white powder mentioned in chapter one?

Your group’s answer is: Strontium 90

Your question is: What is the white powder mentioned in chapter one?

Your group’s answer is: Invasive Species

Your question is: What is the white powder mentioned in chapter one?

Your group’s answer is: Human bones