



General questions

1. What problems can you identify in this story? Are solutions presented?
2. In what way might this story be relevant in your community?

Further exploration

1. Kerzin has blended Western and Buddhist values into his medical practice. Are there any other fields that would benefit from this cultural blend?
2. Dr. Verghese said there's an epidemic of dissatisfaction among American doctors today. Should some of the values espoused by Kerzin be included in medical curricula in the West to fight that epidemic?
3. What credibility does association with the Dalai Lama provide Kerzin?