**Causes and Consequences of Poverty**

*Instructions: Read the comic “On a Plate: a short story about privilege”. Then complete the chart to analyze the differences in the lives of Richard and Paula. Finally, use the comic, your chart, and your own knowledge of the world to answer the questions.*

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| Richard |  | Paula |
|  | Living Conditions |  |
|  | Health |  |
|  | Family Support |  |
|  | Education |  |
|  | Money |  |
|  | Social Status |  |

Hard work and determination are related to success. How are both Richard and Paula hardworking and determined?

Do Richard and Paula have equal opportunities? Explain.

What responsibility, if any, does someone with Richard’s opportunities have for someone with Paula’s opportunities?

What could the government do to improve the opportunities for children like Paula?