**Anticipation Guide for Monster**

**Directions:** Before we begin reading Monster by Walter Dean Myers, fill out this anticipation guide. These questions are to help you start thinking about some of the ideas and themes expressed in the book.

* Read each of the following statements and write whether it is true or false on the line provided.
* Briefly describe your reasoning in a sentence or two in the space provided below the question.

1. In a courtroom, a person is always guilty until proven innocent. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
2. Racism and prejudice isn’t a problem today. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
3. There are consequences to every decision we make. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
4. Peer pressure is always negative. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
5. Discrimination can occur because of age. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
6. Jail is a place where guilty people go. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
7. People who commit crimes come from broken homes and dysfunctional families. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
8. The friends we choose and the people we hang out with are an accurate reflection of us. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
9. The notion of right and wrong are always clearly defined. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
10. If a teenager is charged with a serious crime, she or he should be tried as an adult. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Journal Entry:**

Expand on **one** of the questions from the front page. Write a journal entry where you discuss the topic in greater detail. Give examples to back up your point. (*You can discuss a couple of topics if you can’t write enough to fill the space provided.)*

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