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***A Raisin in the Sun* Anticipation Guide**

The following ideas and concepts are all conveyed in Lorraine Hansberry’s *A Raisin in the Sun*. We should think about and discuss these ideas and concepts before we read *A Raisin in the Sun* so that we have an understanding of what the author is trying to convey in his work. Hansberry comments on each one of the following ideas through the dialogue and action of each character in the book.  Actively reading and thinking about these ideas and concepts will help students understand the many themes found in *A Raisin in the Sun* as well as help students with the essay at the end of the unit.

**Directions**: Respond to each statement with **agree** or **disagree**.

1.     If you organize your plans and make good choices your dreams will come true.  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

2.     Money should not get in the way of you following your dreams. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

3.     You should sacrifice your dreams in order to take care of your family if they need help.\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

4.     Having dreams causes suffering. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

5. Your pride is more important than your principles when making financial decisions.\_\_\_\_ \_\_

6. Pride is more important that money. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

7.     You must learn to deal with dissatisfaction in order to be happy. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

8.     Worrying about the pain of your family causes more suffering than worrying about your own pain. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Directions**: Answer each question below in your own words. Give at least one reason or example to support you point.

9. In your own words, define what it means to have a dream in life. Once you have given your definition describe your dream in life. Explain what you need to do in order to accomplish your dream. **2 points per answer.**

10. Is there ever a time that you should give up on your dream? Describe your feelings about sacrificing your dream for something more important. Use details to explain your answer.

11.  How are dreams and suffering related? Explain how having a dream can be a negative thing. Use specific examples to explain both answers.

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12.  What is pride? Explain how pride plays a part in your decision making. Is this a good thing or a bad thing? Use specific examples to explain your answers. **2 points per answer.**

13.  Which is better to have, pride or money?  Use specific examples to explain your answer.

14.   We have discussed the role of dissatisfaction in an earlier unit. What does dissatisfaction have to do with being happy?  Use specific examples to support your point.

15.  Is it more important to make sure that your immediate family is happy or that you are happy as an individual?  Use specific examples to explain your answer.

16. What causes more pain in life, worrying about other people or worrying about yourself? Use specific examples to explain your answer.