



Anticipation Guide

This anticipation guide is provided for the young adult novel The Westing Game. It is given to better help students prepare for the novel they are about to read and themes they will come in contact with. The anticipation guide is divided into two columns. In one column the students respond to each question asked. They do this activity before reading any of the novel, this helps them get a more objective point of view. The second column is marked “author”. The students fill in this column after reading the novel. They answer according to how the author would have answered.

Through doing this activity students can get a sense of what they will be reading. Let your students know that these types of questions will be the same type that will arise while reading the novel. It is the intent of the activity to awaken the curiosity of the students to entice them to want to read the novel. Their views might even change after reading the novel and that is something you might want to find out through another activity.